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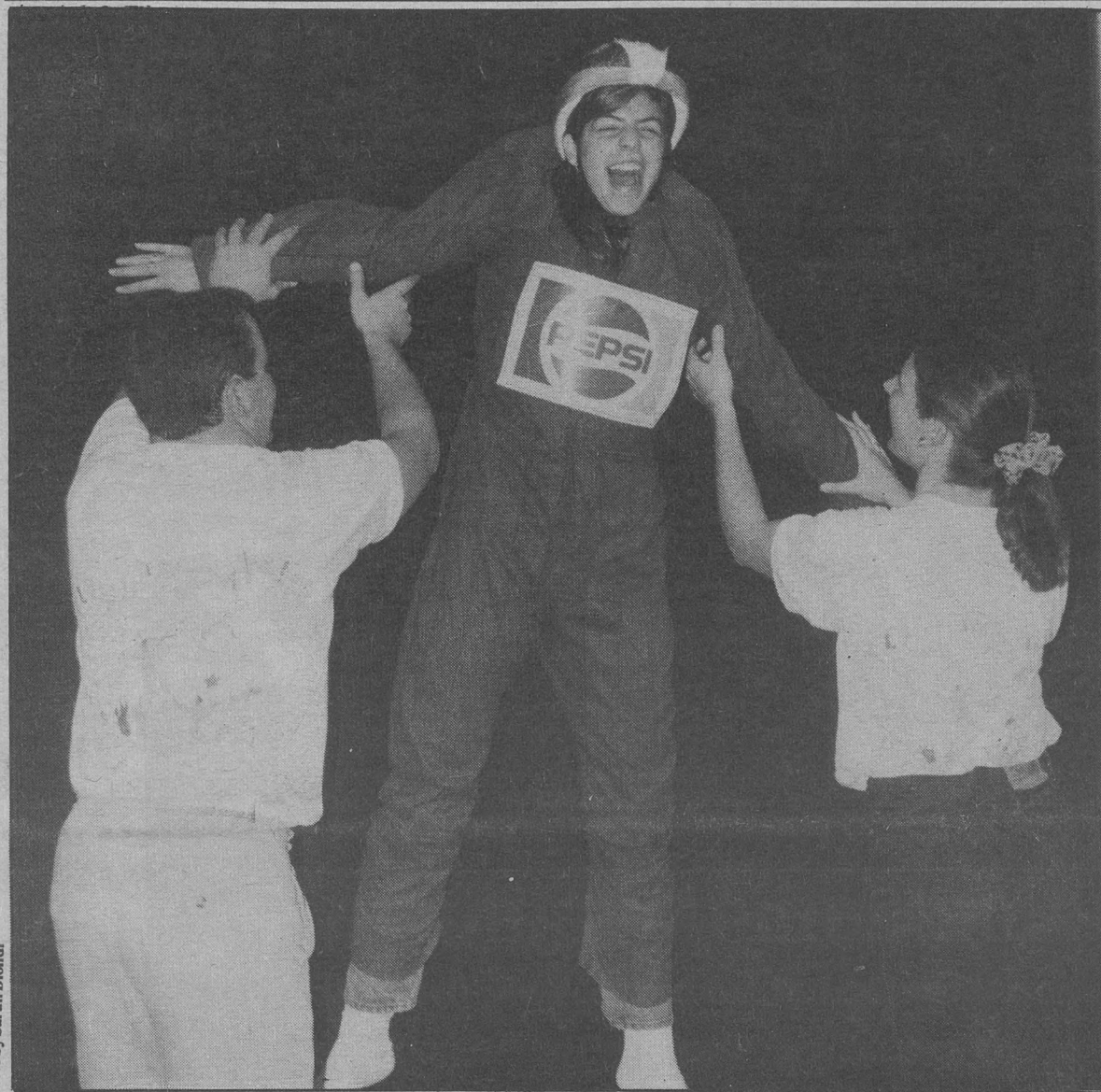


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STUDENTS THROW a colleague onto a wall of Velcro, yesterday in the Grand Marketplace.

Departments approve communication center

by Wayne Milstead
Hatchet Staff Writer

A proposal to merge the journalism, political communications, radio-television and speech communication departments into a National Center for Communication Studies has been approved by the affected departments and awaits review next week by the Columbian College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum and Personnel Committee, according to CCAS Dean Robert Kenny.

The center can be set up and operated administratively as soon as it has curricular application and has been reviewed by a Columbian College subcommittee, committee and faculty, Kenny said. "With luck, we might be able to (have the center operating) next fall," he added.

"The merge had been discussed for over a year . . . to create an umbrella organization that the journalism, political communications and radio-television departments could fall under," Kenny said. He noted that the new center could be used as a recruiting tool and possibly as a basis for a common curricular core.

"(The communication center) would be an attraction for students to come here, since it would offer them a choice of programs," Kenny said, adding that GW is in competition with many schools that have communications departments and the implementation of the communications center would make GW's department more visible.

"Insofar as it enables faculty to do their job better it will enable students to do better," he said.

Kenny said the change will not affect students who are presently majoring in any of the individual departments. "(The center) would allow for better use of the facility and better cooperation among the departments," Kenny said.

Political Communication Program Director Jarol B. Manheim said the idea of the merge is to take advantage of the resources offered by the various departments. "It will enable us to come together and pool our resources," Manheim said.

Each department will lose department status and become programs, according to radio-television professor

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GWUMC to receive \$50 million in federal government funding

by Alec Zacaroli

Asst. News Editor

The GW Medical Center will be receiving \$50 million in federal funding as a result of President George Bush signing the Trauma Care Systems Planning and Development Act of 1989, Nov. 16.

According to Vice President for Medical Affairs L. Thompson Bowles, the funding will be received over a four-year period from 1992 to 1995. The \$50 million is an "authorization," not a grant, Bowles said, adding that an authorization is somewhat like a promissory note to the University that funding will be received. "It's been authorized but not appropriated," he said, adding that it is up to future Congresses to appropriate the money.

Where the authorization of the funding is likened to a promissory note, the appropriations will be the actual spending, according to Bowles.

"When the money is available for spending, the intent will be to modernize the hospital," Bowles said.

It is important to realize, he said, that the money is not a grant and GW must raise an equal amount on its own in order to receive any of the federal funding. He said the money will be appropriated in conjunction with the funds the University raises through philanthropic means. "We have to raise a buck for them to spend a buck," he added.

The combination of federal funding and money raised by GW will create a \$100 million fund which will be used for the modernization process during the four-year period, Bowles said.

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg said, "I'm delighted and I think it's important that people recognize that we're not getting a grant tomorrow morning." He said raising the \$50 million in matching funds represents a lot of work that still needs to be done.

The bill was introduced by Sen. Daniel K. Inouye (D-Hawaii), who sits on the GW Board of Trustees. Pat DeLeon, administrative assistant to Inouye, said both the GW administration and GW students played a role in getting the bill passed. He said the White House received several calls from GW students.

"We were optimistic (the bill would pass) and President Trachtenberg did an outstanding job (getting support for it)," DeLeon said.

"The GW provision saved the entire bill — apparently the bill would have been vetoed but for it," he added.

Regarding his role in the process, Trachtenberg said, "I think essentially the job was to be able to explain to members of the House of Representatives, the Senate and the (Bush) administration the terrific job the medical

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Advisory committee considered

Students, alums would be given role in appointing new deans

by Anastasia Benshoff

Asst. News Editor

The GW Faculty Senate Executive Committee will review a resolution tomorrow to consider guidelines that will establish a group of students, alumni and administrators to serve as advisors to faculty dean search committees, according to Donna Infeld, chair of the senate's Administrative Matters as They Affect the Faculty Committee.

After review by the executive committee, the proposal may be included in the agenda for the December senate meeting, according to Faculty Senate Executive Committee Chair William B. Griffith.

Under the Faculty Code, dean search committees are composed of faculty members elected by the faculty in a particular school. The group interviews candidates and makes its recommendations to GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg and Vice President for Academic Affairs Roderick French. The candidate chosen by the president is then sent to the Board of Trustees for approval.

The new guidelines will establish an advisory committee of students, alumni and an administrator from another school within the University to report to the faculty

committee, Infeld said. The students, alumni and administrator will not be voting members, she added.

French said the process of reworking the search committees began three years ago when the Board of Trustees expressed an interest to alter the procedure for the selection of new deans. He said he conducted a study of dean search committees at several universities, including Columbia, Brown and Emory. "I found there is a closer relation between the person in my position and the search committee," he said. "This is more of an opportunity for the participation of representatives of the student body and alumni."

Some faculty have expressed concern that the addition of non-faculty members to the dean search process will diminish the faculty's voice in the dean selection, Infeld said.

"There is considerable concern towards changing the Faculty Code," she said, adding that when the idea to include non-faculty members to the dean search was first suggested, many faculty thought it would be necessary to change the Faculty Code. "There is a general resistance to

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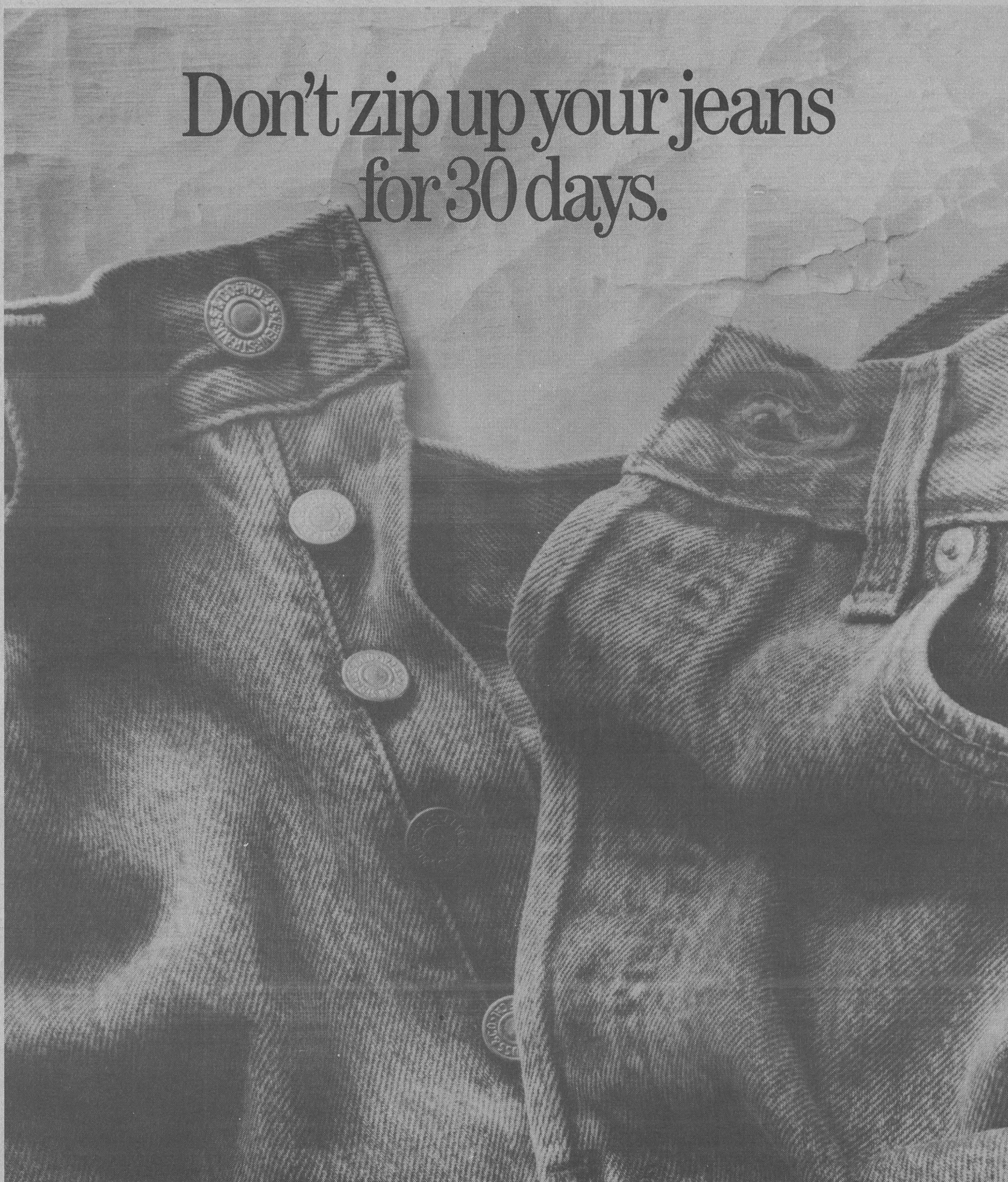
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Security beat Holdups frequent GW

Several GW students have been robbed while walking through campus during the past two weeks, including one at gunpoint, according to University Police Inspector J.D. Harwell.

The first robbery occurred Nov. 10, at approximately 2:30 a.m. in the parking lot at 900 New Hampshire Ave. A GW Hospital employee had just entered her car when an unidentified black male approached her and demanded money. As the man reached for her wallet, the woman bit him on the hand.

The man then fled west from the parking lot, carrying the wallet. He has been identified as approximately 20-30 years old, 5'9" and wearing a denim jacket. The case is still under investigation, Harwell said.

Two female Thurston Hall residents were walking south in the 800 block of 20th Street Nov. 12 at approximately 11:10 p.m. when a black male approached them and said, "This is a holdup." He held his hand beneath his coat as if he had a gun. He then began shaking the arm of one of the students and said, "Give me money." The other student handed him her wallet, which contained \$30. The victims then fled on Eye Street.

The man has been identified as being in his late 20s, medium build, approximately 5'5" and wearing a blue jacket and black sweatpants. Neither victim was injured, Harwell said.

A male GW student walking north in the 900 block of 25th Street on Nov. 13 at approximately 11:45 p.m. was approached by two black males walking south. The men surrounded the student and one of them said, "Wait, I'm your friendly neighborhood armed robber." The victim then handed the men \$1 and the robbers fled down 25th Street. Harwell said a weapon was never displayed.

The first man has been described as being approximately 20 years old, weighing 175 lbs., 5'10" and wearing a blue jacket and jeans. The second was described as being approximately 20 as well, weighing 180 lbs., 5'9" and wearing a maroon coat with a gray hood.

A female resident of Riverside Hall was robbed at gunpoint Nov. 17 at approximately 10 p.m. at the corner of 22nd and G streets. As she walked past Staughton Hall, a black male approached her and said, "Excuse me, can I have your purse." He then held a silver .38-caliber revolver at her chest and advised her not to make any noise. A second black male then appeared and took the woman's leather backpack and her wallet. The men fled through the park adjacent to the GW Deli.

The man carrying the gun was described as approximately 22 years old, weighing 175 lbs., 6' and wearing a short jacket. No further description was

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CALIFORNIA OR BUST

Listen to The Voice of GW, WRTV-Radio THIS WEEKEND for LIVE action of the GW men's basketball team as they head to sunny California for the Apple Invitational Tournament at Stanford University. The games begin at 9:30 p.m. Friday, November 30th and Saturday, December 1st. Pre-game at 9:15 p.m.

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Tues.	Jan. 29th	8:00	vs. West Virginia
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Sat.	Feb. 9th	4:00	vs. U. Rhode Island
Tues.	Feb. 12th	8:00	vs. Duquesne
Sat.	Feb. 23rd	7:30	vs. American
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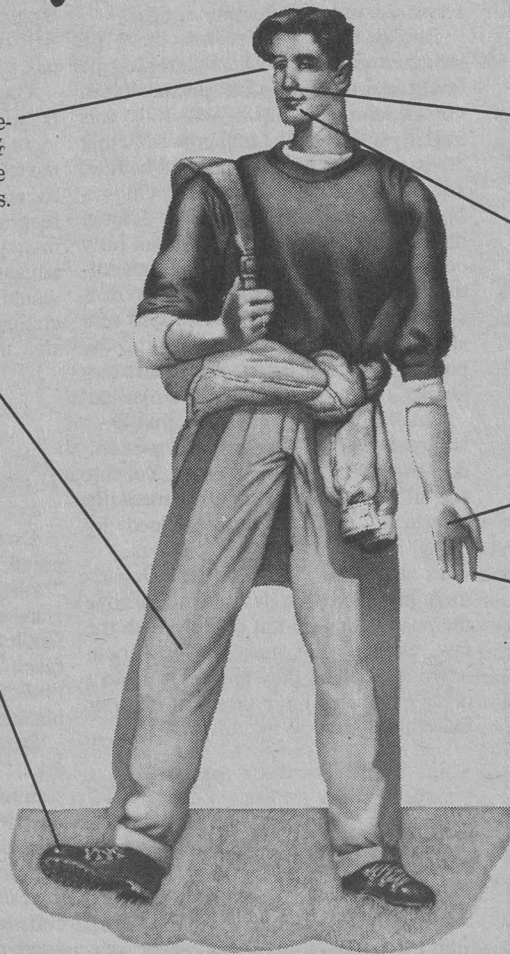
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EDITORIALS

The loudest voice

A school's dean does more than shake your hand at graduation. Many students will remember only their professors long after they graduate. Students can spend four years at GW and never meet their own school's dean.

The dean, however, does play an integral role in this University's academic well-being. Deans make the major decisions — who gets hired, who gets fired, who gets tenure and who doesn't. Though not as well-known or as visible as professors, they determine the fate of the schools they administrate.

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee will be reviewing a proposal tomorrow which would create a dean search committee advisory board made up of students, alumni and administrators.

It makes sense that such people should play a role in picking a school's dean. A recommendation to include these constituencies on dean search advisory committees is a step in the right direction.

Having students, alumni and administrators serve in an advisory capacity has worked well in the past at the National Law Center. The new guidelines also seem to be working well in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences' dean search.

Even so, we can understand some faculty's concern that their voice will be diluted with the addition of more people to the dean selection procedure. Deans are, after all, their "bosses" — and who is better qualified to make such a selection than those who will ultimately have to live with the selection?

The job of the administration is just that — administrate. The president and the Board of Trustees should serve as the executive branch of the University and carry out that role without infringing on the prerogatives of the faculty.

Although it is important that others have a voice in dean selection, it is just as important that the faculty's voice remain the loudest.

War and peace

What if they had a war and everybody came?

The United Nations may be drawing a line in the sand today when it votes on a proposal warning Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from Kuwait by Jan. 15. If he doesn't do so, the world community, led by the United States, has express permission to use "any means necessary" to make Hussein leave.

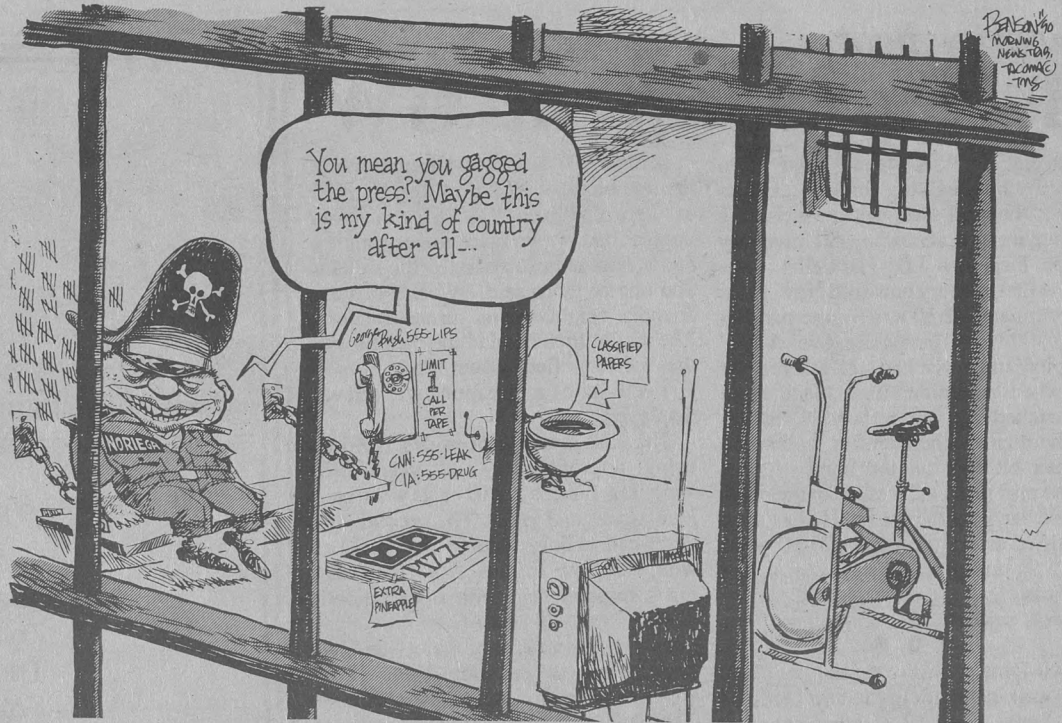
This move marks a major change in policy, supporting an offensive option rather than a purely defensive posture. The UN has condemned the invasion and annexation of Iraq repeatedly. Fearing an invasion of Saudi Arabia, the world supported the deployment of troops, mostly by the United States, to insure Hussein's aggression be halted at the Kuwaiti border.

By January, there will be adequate forces — approximately 400,000 — to launch an offensive against Iraq and take back Kuwait. This leaves many nervous. A war with Iraq will be no cakewalk. It's not Grenada. It's not Panama. And it will be anything but quick and painless. Iraq has a million-man army and an arsenal of chemical, biological and, soon, nuclear weapons.

A war with Iraq means American soldiers will be coming home in body bags. Is the liberation of Kuwait and the defeat of Hussein's army worth that price?

A defensive posture, which leaves adequate troop strength to deter Iraq from moving into Saudi territory, would give the economic sanctions time to work and make a negotiated settlement more feasible. The sanctions are taking hold, but the Bush administration is not satisfied that they will be enough to bring Hussein to his senses and leave his mighty military machine intact.

Wherever you stand on the issue, one thing is for sure. Given the size and cost of America's commitment to the Gulf, the lack of debate over policies is disturbing. The president has not made his intentions clear, and the Congress has abandoned its responsibility to address the major issues at stake. Too much hangs in the balance for our elected officials to play it safe and silently wait while the nation, if not the world, edges closer and closer to a potential war.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Within the law

The Nov. 8 article on the removal of publicity posters from campus mistakenly suggests that light "poles are city property" and therefore freely available for student groups to use. "Everything we're doing is legal and the District allows it," one Student Association officer maintains. However, my reading of the relevant statute (Section 108 of D.C. Municipal Regulations, Title 24) suggests otherwise.

First, no poster that relates "to the sale of goods or services may be affixed on public lamp posts." Several of the posters I noticed on lamp posts this week were charging admission for goods or services, and are thereby illegal.

But even for free events, there are stringent guidelines. For example, the law requires that each poster "shall contain the date upon which it was initially affixed to a lamp post" and that "two copies of the material shall be filed with an agent of the District of Columbia so designated by the mayor." I doubt that any student groups have been fully complying with this provision. In addition, no more than three copies of a poster may be affixed on one side of a street within one block. Most of the posters I've seen, often six or more to a block, are consequently in violation.

Finally, let me underscore that D.C. law prohibits the placement of posters on "any tree in public space." Yet this act, illegal as well as environmentally offensive, is routinely practiced by many student groups on campus.

In short, the Physical Plant Department is well within its rights to remove the posters that do not comply with the law, even if that means taking them down as soon as they are put up. Most other campuses have plentiful outdoor bulletin boards. Why not GW?

-Jim Deutsch

Money hungry

This letter comes in response to the initial bill most students received as a result of preregistration.

I was horrified to discover that the University I have been dedicated to for the past three years has once again deceived its students. Somehow, I had the notion that the voluntary library gift controversy was resolved. Apparently, this is not so.

Actually, it was my father who brought to my attention that this "gift" was automatically included in this bill. If he had not looked over the last bill carefully, he might have ended up paying this gift once again without even realizing it. He felt this was, in his own words, "a sneaky move" on the part of the University and I must agree.

In fact, I was ashamed to have to defend the actions of the school to which he has already contributed more than \$70,000.

The point of this letter is not simply to condemn the University, but rather to prevent unsuspecting others from making the same mistake as my father. As the bill states, this is supposed to be a "gift," and good manners has always taught me that you never assume you will receive a gift. But this university has.

I believe the option for the University is quite clear. Instead of automatically including the voluntary library gift in the total amount of the bill, leave a space for an individual to add it. I am tired of feeling as though I, or my parents' money for that matter, have been taken advantage of. On commencement day I would like to feel as though I have graduated from a well-respected university, not a money-hungry corporation.

-Todd Krim

Powerful teachers

Dwayne A. Day makes three good points in his opinion piece of Nov. 12, "Doing the right thing is not the right answer." D.C. is expensive for all faculty, including black recruits. Few black students are graduating with Ph.D.s. These few might prefer better or blacker campuses.

Day misleads, however, when he asks, "Why does the color of a person's skin have any bearing on teaching ability?" leading us to infer the answer, "It doesn't."

From my observation of student interactions with black and white colleagues in a project to integrate race/gender materials into the curriculum, I have gathered a lot of lessons students learn from black faculty that they do not learn in most classes at GW.

First, they learn that black people can hold more than menial jobs (which one student said long ago was his only contact with black people before attending GW). Second, they learn that black

people can assume and responsibly fill positions of authority. Third, they learn that black people are smart.

White faculty could teach more of these lessons in our own classes than we currently do. Since experience remains a powerful teacher, however, students' observation of black faculty conducting themselves with the same good sense and competence as white faculty is essential to learn that successful black women and men are not just tokens. They really do represent the human race well.

-Phyllis Palmer, associate professor
-Women's Studies Department

Misunderstanding

This letter is in response to Javid Sonde's letter to the editor in the Nov. 19 issue of The GW Hatchet, in which he accuses me of lacking professional ethics and abusing the media for personal gain. Those accusations are as inappropriate as the Hatchet writer's misunderstanding.

While talking to one of the Hatchet staff writers about ways to foster interaction between American and foreign students, I mentioned, in relation to that purpose, the International Buddy System of the Student Association as one of the most successful programs so far. I admire Javid's efforts and the hard work he has put into the program.

The Hatchet mistakenly mentioned the Buddy Program in the story "ISS events welcome international students," which makes it seem as though the program is an ISS program. It is not. An earlier article about the buddy system and a few half-page advertisements should have made it clear that it is organized by the SA and by Javid Sonde. I did not take any credit for the program. I give credit for the success of the program to the SA.

What we should not do between students is use personal accusations against each other that do not reflect reality. We are in Washington, D.C., but that does not mean we have to use dirty "Washington politics." All the student leaders on the GW campus work very hard for the good of all students, but that only functions well if we work together and not against each other.

-Stefan Weiss, president
-International Student Society

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OPINION

Where do pro-lifers stand on an issue of life and death?

Every time I read a letter like the one that appeared in The GW Hatchet Nov. 15, I have to ask myself, "Who do they think they are fooling by maintaining their stance against abortion on the grounds of being in favor of saving innocent lives, while simultaneously condoning the death penalty?"

Many pro-lifers say abortion is murder. But these same people are also against sex education in public schools, against helping fund unwanted deliveries, against the use of contraception and do not want to help the inner-city neighborhoods where many of these unwanted human beings will be forced to struggle in poverty.

It's no wonder these children, many of whom are from single-parent families with no positive role models, turn toward crime, drop out of school and end up incarcerated in overcrowded prisons — the same prisons pro-lifers are against expanding or having in their neighborhoods.

If these pro-lifers value human life so

much, why then do many of them also condone the death penalty?

Florida estimates that it costs \$3.2 million per state-sanctioned execution while it costs just \$516,000 to incarcerate a criminal for life. These funds are necessary for the lengthy appeals processes which insure that those sentenced to death got fair trials.

In the seven years average that the 2300 inmates in 1989 waited on death row, one-third to one-half of these death sentences were set aside due to serious constitutional violations because a subpoenaed defense witness surfaced, crucial evidence was located or discovered, the true murderer was captured, charges were dropped or the civil rights of the accused were found to have been violated. Why terminate innocent lives?

Many of these pro-lifers say that abortions are the "mass-murdering of innocent lives," while the death penalty is the "humane termination of the life of a convicted murderer."

As Coretta Scott King and Jacqueline

Kennedy Onassis agree, the termination of life is simply not humane.

In one case recently, the convicted was being electrically executed when the chair malfunctioned and his head burst into flames.

Yosefi Seltzer

Lethal injections often do not take complete effect quickly, subjecting the victim to hours of needless suffering. Within the medical field, substantial criticism has arisen of the physicians who inject these toxins. According to the Hippocratic oath, their primary duty is to heal, not harm.

If the death penalty is so humane, tell me why the United States is only in the company of approximately five other

countries in the world — including Bangladesh and Iraq — that legally sanction executions for youths under the age of 18?

There is a racial factor involved — statistically between 1977 and mid 1988, 14% of prisoners were executed for killing non-whites while 86% killed whites, according to Amnesty International. Blacks and whites are victims of equal numbers of homicides, yet in Florida, blacks killing whites are more likely to receive death sentences in a 5:1 ratio to whites killing whites. In Texas, blacks are more-likely to be given sentences at a 6:1 ratio.

By mid 1988, A.I. reported that 40% of 2000 inmates on death row in the U.S. were black although blacks only represented 12% of the population. Blacks are convicted and put on death row at a disproportionate pace because many of them cannot afford quality attorneys. The accused have their lives in the hands of public defenders who are frequently inexperienced in handling death penalty cases or overworked.

There are many more reasons why the death penalty is immoral, cruel and unusual, but there is an even more important point to be made.

Why is it that so many pro-choicers and pro-lifers get riled up over an issue like abortion in arguing over organisms that are not fully functional human beings yet?

There are thousands of living, breathing human beings who are struggling with poverty, crime, drugs, homicide, street gangs, lousy schools and dilapidated neighborhoods every single day of their lives.

So the next time you are arguing over whether an unborn fetus is an actual human being in the fourth or fifth week, think about the urban youth generation that is living today and pending tomorrow.

Yosefi Seltzer is a sophomore majoring in political science.

MORE LETTERS

Why not?

The president of the United States, George Bush, should speak at GW's commencement ceremonies.

This is not merely an idealistic wish for an unlikely commencement speaker. If the president is approached by our University within the very near future, he will speak at our commencement. Vol. 1, No. 1 of the George Washington University Magazine (Fall, 1990) reprints a letter from Marlin Fitzwater, press secretary and assistant to the president, thanking GW for our help in this summer's summit. The following is an excerpt from that letter:

"I certainly support having the President participate in one of your activities. If I can ever be of assistance to you, please let me know."

In the past, GW has suffered from an inferiority complex far greater than it truly deserves. Our expectations for poor and mediocre speakers have, unfortunately, been met time and time again. This year we can break a bad habit and show the pride in our school that it surely deserves. The above excerpt is a clear indication to the GW community that the president will speak at this spring's commencement. Let us take pride in our school and in ourselves by asking a qualified speaker to be honored by GW.

It is highly appropriate that the president of the United States speak at a university founded by the father of our country. Such an opportunity stands before us, and we would be foolish to let it drift away.

*-Michael S. Rosenberg
-Daniel A. Weissbein*

Enough already

I want to begin this letter by emphasizing that I do not think the dart shooting was a joke. I do realize that people could have been seriously hurt. But I think that the whole incident has been blown out of proportion.

To begin with, the racist charges are totally inexcusable. To call someone a racist is one of the worst things a person can say about another. For people to accuse someone they don't know of being racist, and for The GW Hatchet to print it, is libelous, regardless of the fact that the darts only hit black people. Would the incident have been less serious if whites had been hit?

Yes, it was a stupid prank, but it was just that — a prank — never meant to hurt anyone. In any case, the whole Sigma Nu fraternity should not be punished for one person's actions.

The Office of Campus Life committee deemed Sigma Nu's probation necessary because of a "lack of cooperation with University officials."

With all due respect, what did they really expect? When a person joins a fraternity or sorority, he or she, believe it or not, takes the oath of secrecy and brotherhood or sisterhood seriously. I cannot imagine any Greek organization on this campus, or on any campus, in which someone would turn in their brother or sister.

What if the dart had been shot out of a residence hall and none of the residents had come forward with any information? Would that entire hall be punished by the University?

The administration has claimed all along that they are simply looking out for students' best interests. However, it

seems to me that they are simply using this opportunity to come down on the Greek system. When the moratorium was imposed, the University said it was to insure the safety of those at Greek events. What about the safety of students walking to and from classes, especially in Bell, Lisner and Stuart halls? (For those who didn't see the map that accompanied the first dart article in the Hatchet, these buildings are located across the street from G Street.)

Remember, the darts were shot during the day, not in the middle of a block party. Had the person actually been unstable, I doubt that a moratorium would have stopped him from shooting more darts.

Beyond that, the University was obviously much more concerned with the prospective students who were hit, not the current students who were hit. Are people's lives more valuable before they pay tuition than after?

The incident is over, and the person responsible has been harshly punished. Isn't that enough?

-Susan L. Parrish

Directory assistance

I am responding to the article in the Nov. 15 issue of The GW Hatchet concerning the Student Telephone Directory.

I believe that students created this publication for students using student funds and student-provided information. It seems only appropriate, therefore, that students take responsibility to create an opportunity to be included or excluded from the directory. I recall such a procedure in past semesters. If the student body does not wish the Regi-

star's Office to cooperate with its elected officials in providing this information, I need to know.

You should be aware that if a person gives out his/her phone number as well as other personal information it can easily become a matter of public record. If you do not wish this information to be known, you need to remember not to give it out.

Knowing that the University had failed to keep abreast of address changes, I asked the Hatchet to do a story on the importance of correct address and phone number information. The Hatchet's response to my inquiry was "no go." The best I got was the ability to buy an ad, which appeared in the Oct. 25 issue.

The directory information we have on file, whether we have an emergency call for a student or have any other reason to contact the student, is only as accurate as the student chooses to make it.

Address and telephone information can be updated several ways. Each time a student calls the telephone registration line, the registration operators ask to verify address data, both local and permanent. In addition, students may come to the registrar's office to update this data. Students may also mail address changes to the registrar's office. The Marvin Center Information Desk, Student Accounts, Cashier's and Residence Life offices also have access to the Student Information System and have ability to correct or change directory information about the students.

I hope this information is helpful. Please let me know how I might assist the Student Association or the Hatchet

in obtaining better directory information in the future.

*-J. Matthew Gaglione
-University Registrar*

Intellectual challenge

An important fact was omitted from an article in the Nov. 12 edition of The GW Hatchet, "Two undergraduates to teach course next semester." The new course, "Confrontation and the Individual Mind," is to be offered under the title "Independent Study," English 197, in the Spring 1991 semester.

The article left the impression that the students in the course would have complete responsibility for all aspects of it, including evaluation and grading of student work. However, University policy doesn't permit that degree of latitude for those enrolled in independent study. In fact, Prof. Jon Quitslund of the GW English Department will serve as faculty coordinator for the course. Students who enroll in the course will take the lead in teaching it, but Prof. Quitslund will evaluate all student work and determine final grades (according to the Pass/Fail option). So far as I know, everyone who knows about this newly-designed course finds it a wonderful and exciting idea, one that's guaranteed to provide a stiff intellectual challenge for all concerned.

But wherever this course in individualized thinking takes its participants, it's important that every one starts out reading from the same page.

*-Chris Sten, chair
-Department of English*

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OPINION

GW students should be encouraged for their hard work

In an attempt to address the needs of GW students, the idea of bringing back the Student Telephone Directory was introduced during the Student Association elections in February, 1989.

After receiving a great deal of positive feedback, the project encountered several obstacles. Overseeing this initiative as Vice President for Student Activities and Columbian College of Arts and Sciences senator in the SA, we were not familiar with the difficulties involved with large-scale publishing.

With support of then-SA President John David Morris, we pursued the option of producing the publication in conjunction with the Office of Campus Life. After this working partnership won approval by both parties, plans for production were outlined by the end of the spring semester.

At this point, new SA President Frank Petramale gave this project his full support and agreed that we would represent the SA in the venture which we had initiated. After many hours of distinguished effort with the Office of Campus Life, the Student Directory made its debut on campus Nov. 7.

The page one article and editorial in last Thursday's Hatchet suggested the project was a failure. We understand

some of the concerns that were mentioned. Unfortunately, some of the information listed in the directory was incorrect. Reasons for this ranged from students not updating their addresses and phone numbers to mistakes in data entry. The directory also presents a problem when telemarketers can use the listing as a sales resource.

A particular concern that surfaced in the Hatchet was the issue of privacy. Since 1984, students have been able to obtain the same data provided in the directory simply by contacting the GW Information Center. This information is provided by the registrar's office and excludes those who have completed the form outlined in the Privacy of Student Records Article III A-1. This article is part of the Student Handbook and the current University bulletin.

Thursday's Hatchet editorial describes the new directory as "an unpleasant surprise for many." While some people have expressed concern, the majority of the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Off-campus and graduate students in particular have stated that they now feel they are more accessible by the campus community. Already we have heard the directory mentioned in meetings and conversa-

tions as a resource that has long been missed since its departure in 1986.

The editorial suggested the production of the directory was a moneymaking venture. The purpose of this publication was to be a service to

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students, not to produce income. Students will be interested in finding out that the directory project did not produce any revenue for the OCL-SA

partnership.

In response to his comments in the article, former SA President Raffi Terzian ("I didn't think it was that necessary an item") should realize that such a publication improves student life at GW and is worthwhile. A person with such vast experience at this university should also be cognizant of the GW Guide to Student Rights and Responsibilities.

After reading the comments by current SA President Frank Petramale, we sure hope that he was misquoted. Mr. Petramale's administration was half of the partnership in this project, but the contributions of the 1990-91 SA were quite modest. Considering that his organization expressed few reservations in taking credit for the publication weeks before its fruition, Mr. Petramale has no justifiable position from which to only offer criticism.

The Hatchet editorial stressed the fact that the student directory was imposed on the GW community by the University. While OCL and The GW Hatchet's business office played a large role in making this goal attainable, the concept of the student directory was initiated by students, for students.

When reading the "thanks, but no

thanks" statement at the bottom of the editorial, we were struck by a disturbing thought. For years, the University community and the Hatchet have been demanding that more than politics and controversy emerge from the SA. Well, after a year and a half of hard work, we have a sample of a tangible benefit to students. What happens? Encouragement? Constructive criticism? No. Instead, this paper implies that the project was a waste of time and did not allow for student input. The next time your editorials cry for progress from student leaders, think of the messages you send to volunteers who are trying to make a difference for the students at this University.

Currently, our attention is focused on the publication of next year's student directory. We are tackling all expressed areas of concern and we welcome the input of every single student. Look us up in the directory and let us know what you think.

Last but not least, we would like to thank all the people who contributed to this worthwhile project.

Vollie Melson is a senior majoring in political science. Kamal Siblini is a graduate MBA student.

Misunderstanding the speaker's intentions

I am writing in response to Jim Luko's Nov. 12 article on the speech given Nov. 7 by Dr. A. Alim Muhammad on "the proper education of the black student." Mr. Luko did a weak job of reporting this event because although he provided us with many quotations, he failed to relate to the readers the meanings behind those statements as given by Dr. Muhammad, and failed to place the quotes into the context of the message.

However, this is excusable because, as Dr. Muhammad stated, the speech was not designed for a white audience to understand. What is inexcusable is that Mr. Luko completely omitted the most significant element of this speech, the central idea that tied together everything Dr. Muhammad said: the proper education of the black student in America is not really in the history of ancient African civilizations, nor is it in some African-American Studies course at GW. It is in the knowledge of ourselves through the teachings of God and following the path of religion.

Dr. Muhammad pointed out something that is true, that we have nothing in this country, and that in order for us to reach the full potential to be the great people we are, we must become first and foremost students of the word of God, not of the education that directs all of our energies to the attainment and protection of material wealth. He was not advocating that we all drop out of college. Knowledge of the arts and sciences is essential, for they are the tools by which we understand and interpret the world.

He was making us aware that everything begins and ends with religion, that the era in which we live is a time of judgment and God will protect those who have followed his path and punish those who, like America, have not and are now suffering the consequences. This country's crumbling socioeconomic structure is a prime example. At his most eloquent moment, Dr. Muhammad compared us to Adam, the first man, a black man and the first "black student." He said that like Adam, we

Quinn C. Murph

have to start with nothing, with no history and no culture to call our own, and use the knowledge which is inherent in us to bring ourselves to a condition with which we are satisfied, not because we possess material wealth, but because we possess the qualities of God. And God will take care of the rest.

Anyone who was present in Corcoran Hall that night knows that this idea was central to the entire meaning and understanding of Dr. Muhammad's speech. To omit this from the article was not only insulting, it was poor journalism and a disservice to your uninformed readers.

Quinn C. Murph is a sophomore majoring in visual communications.

Criticism hurts University image

I am a staff member in GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg's office, and write in response to Ms. Fadwa Ghanoum's misinformed letter, "Ill-mannered," published in the Nov. 8 issue of The GW Hatchet.

By not taking the simple precaution of phoning our office before she wrote her commentary, Ms. Ghanoum has caused embarrassment to the University and the government of Kuwait, at a time when neither can afford it — least of all the Kuwaiti government and the people it is struggling to represent against the grimmest odds.

Here are the facts, succinctly stated, of which Ms. Ghanoum was entirely unaware when she rushed for her typewriter:

Shortly before the Kuwaiti ambassador was scheduled to speak, President Trachtenberg received a polite request asking if, despite the late notice, he could possibly fit an introduction into his schedule, which in fact was crammed. The request emphasized that the introduction should be brief. It was understood in advance that, due to his prior commitments, President Trachtenberg would need to depart shortly after he had delivered his remarks.

Understanding that this was not an ordinary last-minute request and having suffered, like most of us, through the daily bad news regarding the assault against the Kuwaiti people by the government and troops of Iraq, President Trachtenberg rescheduled his commitments so that he could not only

introduce the ambassador, but so that he could stay for the entire talk.

The president was so determined to show his personal solidarity with the Kuwaiti cause that even the prolonged question-and-answer period that followed the talk itself did not cause him to leave the platform. What led him to briefly step away was a health-related matter. Among other things, President Trachtenberg had been wrestling with a chest cold, felt a coughing episode coming on and chose to step away in order to avoid disrupting the ambassador's speech.

Helene D. Interlandi

I think you will agree it would have been a distraction to the audience members who were tuned into the ambassador, who was trying his best to make Americans aware of and favorably disposed toward salvation for the Kuwaiti people and their nation. President Trachtenberg was moving back to the platform when he discovered that the speaking portion of the event had, meanwhile, come to an end.

Now let me explain why Ms. Ghanoum's letter is such a cause of embarrassment, and why she has damaged the very cause she rushed to protect, which is so often the result when people try to do good without pausing to think or

make one single and obviously necessary phone call before making an over-hasty feelings public.

The Hatchet doesn't just get read by students at GW. It gets read by many people off-campus as well.

Because the Middle East is an area where the traditional virtues of hospitality and courtesy rank high with many people, imagine the feelings Ms. Ghanoum's letter is generating on the part of the ambassador and his staff. She has inadvertently shamed President Trachtenberg in the eyes of his students when he was trying so hard to practice those very virtues. She has inadvertently shamed the entire George Washington University in the eyes of Hatchet readers, extending to important others off-campus.

And, last but far from least, think of the damage inadvertently sustained to the Kuwaitis' public image as I have been forced, for obvious reasons, to explain what really happened to President Trachtenberg in the course of the ambassador's talk, revealing personal details of the kind every competent staff person is taught to keep rigidly out of sight.

Ms. Ghanoum, I speak to you directly, but I also speak to each and every student at this University. Don't be in a hurry to do "good" unless you're also in a hurry to do bad.

Helene D. Interlandi is the director of office administration for President Trachtenberg.

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SA senate approves nominations for JEC

Resolution passed to encourage improvement of Smith Center weight-lifting facilities

by Lisa Leiter
Hatchet Staff Writer

The GW Student Association Senate approved SA President Frank Petramale's nominations for the three SA-appointed seats on the Joint Elections Committee at last night's meeting in Corcoran Hall.

The Joint Elections Committee monitors student election campaigns and levies fines for violations of the election rules.

Three seniors, Elizabeth "Libbie" Bock, Marty Goldstein and Paul Mamalian, were selected for the seats after 30-minutes of debate in executive session.

Columbian College of Arts and Sciences Senator Peter Bernstein said, "I am very disappointed with the nominations because I do not feel that the entire student body is represented." He said this is the earliest the senate has elected JEC members compared to previous years.

Petramale said the nominees are three "very qualified individuals."

"The JEC is not meant to be a representative body as much as it is meant to ensure that we have successful elections both in terms of the number of candidates and the number of voters," Petramale added.

When asked by senate members why the nominees were seeking positions on

the JEC, Goldstein said, "It's a hell job but it has to be done . . . The JEC controls the process of what students say of the University . . . We need someone to go about it in the right way."

"I would like to alleviate stress (from candidates) and make the rules (more fair) in order to make elections more interesting and make it more fun to run," Mamalian said.

When asked about the problems with campaign posters, Mamalian said, "Too much emphasis is placed on the posters — there needs to be more of an emphasis on the candidates."

Recently appointed Undergraduate At-Large Senator Christopher Tipping asked the nominees how they would address fines imposed on candidates who broke the election rules.

"The JEC has the power of elections and certain infractions should be fined like if candidates are ripping down their opponents' posters," Goldstein said.

"Hopefully, we won't have to be policemen like they have been in past years," Bock said.

Petramale said students Mitch Wander and Vellie Melson will hold the two other JEC seats, which are nominated respectively by the Program Board and the Marvin Center Governing Board.

In addition, the senate passed a bill asking GW to "immediately and signif-

icantly invest in expanding, modernizing and improving the weight training facilities in the Smith Center."

First-year graduate senator and co-sponsor of the resolution Anthony Kreuger said, "A lot of people are having to spend money at other spas in the area to get a decent workout . . . if the University makes a small investment it would really make a difference."

The bill also states that, "The University seeks to establish a relationship with an independent health club such that (GW) students receive a discount."

Tipping expressed concern that this issue will "be put on the back burner" and said the SA should get involved in finding out about group discounts at health clubs.

Graduate Elliot School of International Affairs Senator Georges Charabati addressed complaints by students about the errors in the recently published Student Telephone Directory.

"The Student Life Committee is writing a letter to the administration to prevent these errors from happening in the future," Charabati said.

The senate informally discussed another resolution which was voted down in the Student Life Committee. The resolution asked for a letter-writing campaign "urging the immediate reopening of all educational institutions in the occupied West Bank and Gaza

Strip."

Charabati said the main reason for the failure of this resolution is a lack of communication.

"(School of Engineering and Applied Sciences Senator) Ghassan Alami wrote this resolution with nobody involved except his friends in the senate," Charabati said. "There was no enthusiasm for it because senators saw it out of the scope of the Student Association."

The senate failed to suspend the rules in order to open official debate and discussion on the issue. "I am very disappointed that this issue was not confronted," School of Business and Public Management Graduate Senator Martin Schultz said.

"The Jewish people are criticizing this action (to reopen the five Palestinian universities in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip) . . . other schools such as the University of California at Berkeley and Los Angeles and the University of Wisconsin are supporting the reopening of the schools," Alami said.

Student Association for Israel President Saul Kelner said, "This is a political issue beyond the scope of the Student Association and it is not in the best interests of the students . . . Ghassan should be ashamed of himself for wasting senate time on this irrelevant issue."

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center does . . . at two levels." He said those levels were to care for poor people, minorities and others unable to finance their own care and, because of the hospital's location, to act as a standby for government officials needing care. "It's unthinkable that in the nation's capital that kind of facility would not be available," he said.

Bowles cited the role GWUMC plays in the Washington community as the reason it was picked for the grant over other area hospitals. "We were selected because we play a very special role in the (D.C.) area," he said. Bowles said GWUMC is an important institution because, in addition to providing a large amount of indigent care, it also treats a number of federal officials and dignitaries from foreign countries.

"We are unique in having a combined mission that really no other hospital has," he said. "Other hospitals provide significant indigent care . . . in addition to that we are the one that is on standby

for a lot of very important people."

Tom Chapman, president of the Greater Southeast Community Hospital, expressed concern when the bill was announced that it was allotting too much money to one institution.

GSCH Media Director Ann Cahill said, "It's not that he's angry with GW as much as that we don't think it's the way to solve the health problem in the District." She said the initial reaction of the administration at GSCH when it heard GW was going after the money was, "Why didn't we think of that?"

Cahill said treating important government figures is not a good reason for

GWUMC to get the money instead of other area health institutions. "Who's to say who's a better person to get health care," she said. She said GWUMC was fortunate because "they had someone in a position of power to get (the funding)."

"There is no doubt that there are other institutions that need help," Trachtenberg said. He cited as part of his reasoning for GWUMC getting the funding that GW is in a situation in which receiving aid is difficult. He said that unlike other institutions, GWUMC cannot depend on a state legislature or corporate funding to help finance costs.

"We don't have a state legislature and the D.C. government couldn't help if it wanted to," he said, adding that because the city primarily houses government institutions, there is no corporate community to turn to.

According to Trachtenberg, he explained to those who ultimately decided on the fate of the bill that

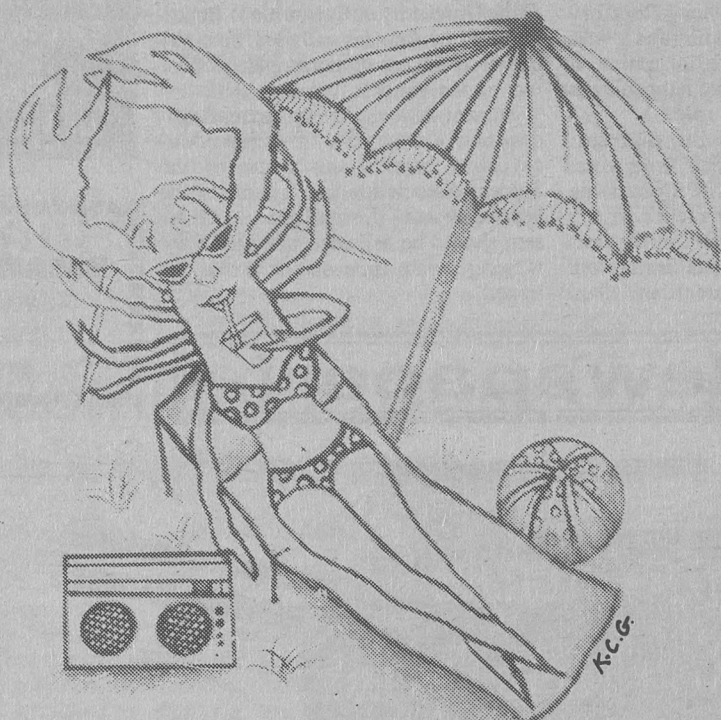
GWUMC, along with Georgetown and Howard universities' hospitals, train physicians and perform research in addition to providing necessary health care. He said the University of Maryland recently received \$25 million in funding and Georgetown frequently gets federal grants.

Trachtenberg likened the situation to "being in the right place at the right time," adding, "it was like the Ronald Reagan story."

"If you live long enough, you keep getting up to bat and eventually you get on base," he said.

In researching trauma health care, according to the bill, Congress found physical trauma to be the leading cause of death among Americans between the ages of one and 44 and the third leading cause of death among the general population. It also found physical trauma costs an average of \$135 billion in medical expenses, insurance, administrative costs and indirect costs every year.

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Ella Fitzgerald to speak at winter graduation

Vocal jazz legend Ella Fitzgerald will be the guest speaker at GW's winter graduation ceremonies, Feb. 17, 1991 in the Smith Center, according to University Marshal Jill F. Kasle.

"Her office tells me she speaks from the heart and then sings," Kasle said.

The idea of bringing Fitzgerald to GW began in September 1989 when her longtime band leader and friend Keter Betts organized GW's Fall Convocation band, Kasle said.

School of Business and Public Management Director of Career Planning and Graduation Margaret Vann said Betts made the initial contact with Fitzgerald about speaking at GW and then put University officials in contact with her manager. Vann said Fitzgerald recently finalized her speaking engagement, after gaining approval from her physician. "We are just delighted," Vann said.

Kasle said Fitzgerald thinks very highly of GW because a few years ago she was singing at the Wolf Trap Found-

ation and suffered a minor heart attack. She was brought to GW Hospital and was quickly treated.

"That left her with a good feeling about GW and its doctors. She said she would be delighted to speak at GW. She is reported to have said 'I love GW,' " Kasle said.

Vann said Fitzgerald is not receiving an honorarium for her speech.

"I thought she was very deserving of speaking here," Vann said.

The University will also bestow honorary degrees to Jim Brady, former press secretary to President Ronald Reagan, and his wife Sarah Brady. Both will be given honorary degrees for public service.

Mrs. Brady is noted for her advocacy for gun control, Kasle said.

The graduation ceremony will also include an evening gala on Feb. 16 from 8:30 p.m. to midnight and the honors convocation Feb. 16 at 2 p.m.

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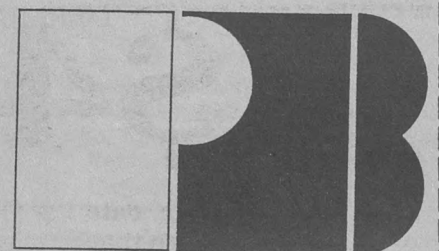
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Harwell said the woman's wallet was recovered the next day at about 3:30 p.m. in front of the east gate at the National Zoo, 3000 Connecticut Ave., NW.

An administrative staff member in the Board of Trustees office on the

eight floor of Rice Hall left her wallet unattended Nov. 12 for a short time and returned to find it missing. The wallet contained various forms of identification and credit cards. The case is still under investigation, Harwell said, adding that several possible suspects were sighted in the area.

Two thefts occurred on the eighth floor of Francis Scott Key Hall between Nov. 4-13. A resident reported \$20 was removed from a desk drawer in one room, and another resident reported having \$15 stolen from his wallet while he was sleeping. Neither incident had

signs of forced entry, Harwell said.

A staff member of the nursing office on the first floor of Everglades Hall reported placing \$25 in a desk drawer Nov. 19, returning the next day to find it missing. There were no signs of forced entry to either the office or the desk drawer, Harwell said.

A woman left her wallet unattended Nov. 19 on the running track in the Smith Center while she was jogging. She returned at approximately 4 p.m. to find it missing. The contents of the wallet were not disclosed, Harwell said.

Another theft in the Smith Center occurred Nov. 25. A male student left his wallet, containing \$8 and a gold Citizen watch valued at \$150, on the main floor at approximately 1:30 p.m. when he was playing basketball. When he returned at 3:15 p.m., the wallet was missing, Harwell said.

Approximately \$40 was stolen from a locker in the Smith Center varsity locker room Nov. 26 at approximately 5 p.m. The locker showed no signs of forced entry, Harwell said.

An eighth-floor resident of Thurston Hall received a bomb threat Nov. 27 at

about 2:50 a.m. The caller said, "There's a bomb in your building in four different locations. It is going to go off soon," Harwell reported. The building was then evacuated and checked by University Police and the D.C. Metropolitan Police Department. Nothing was found, Harwell said.

A gray mountain bike valued at \$200 was stolen from the bicycle rack by the Jacob Burns Law Library Nov. 27 between 3 and 10 p.m., Harwell said.

-Jim Peterson

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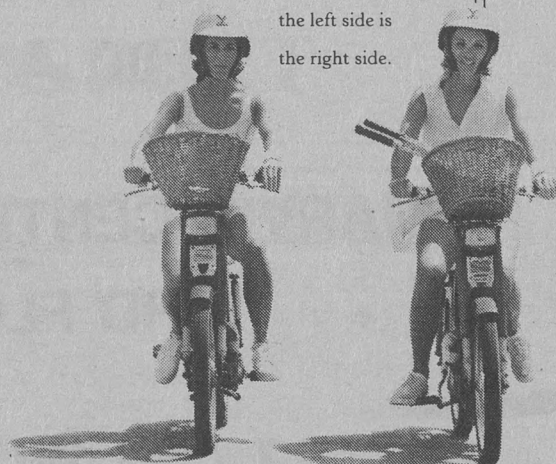
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Old L.A. punk band offers distorted sound

by Larry Shoemaker

"You won't see these kids in heaven/ Colored hair & funny clothes/ They are the menace of today/ And they won't listen to what you say."

Social Distortion from "All the Answers," 1982

That was punk rock — three chords and an attitude, and Social Distortion was right in the middle of the whole mess. Los Angeles was the place to be; Black Flag, The Weirdos, X and our heroes, Social D, were at the start of the music movement that kicked rock and roll squarely in its bloated ass.

It is hard for Mike Ness, lead guitarist and vocalist of Social D, to pinpoint when the whole punk explosion began, but it was easy to watch its decline. "There were a lot of drugs and a lot of runnin' the streets looking for violence," Ness said in a recent interview. "People burned themselves out."

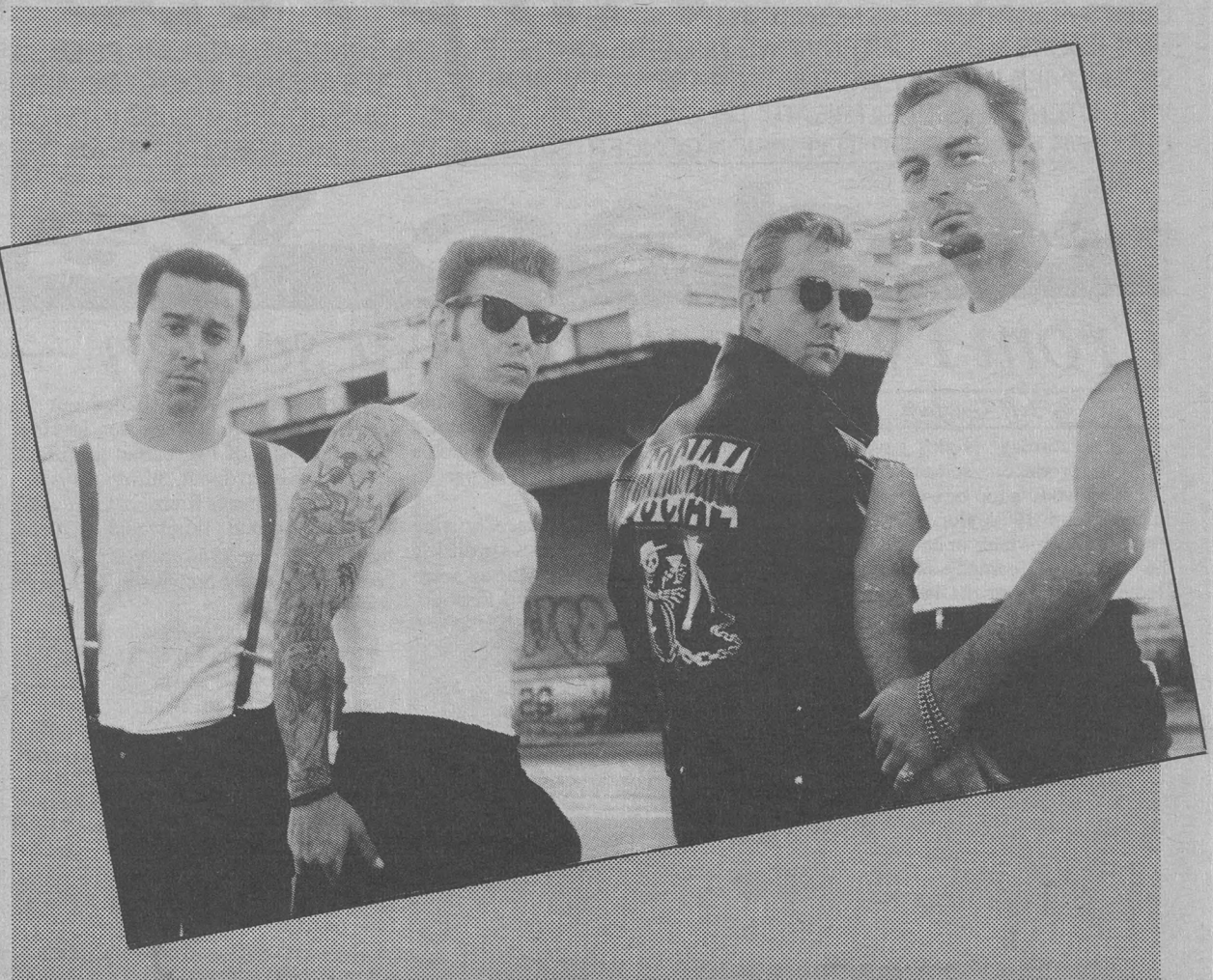
Punk rock, however, didn't die on its own accord. And as they intended, the people with "colored hair and funny clothes" shook the hell out of the establishment. Ness explained, "It scared the L.A. cops to see hundreds of crazy-looking people all over Sunset Boulevard. Alternative groups of people have a tendency to get oppressed. They'll just choke it off."

Punk relished in blowing off the mass audience that the rest of rock and roll had always centered on. Yet, Ness and

the boys — Dennis Danell on guitar, John Maurer on bass and drummer Christopher Reece — always wanted to hear their songs on the radio. "We wanted to be big, even when it wasn't cool," Ness said. "Way back when we were drinking The Clash's beer backstage at a sold-out San Diego State show. We just kept thinking, 'Shit, we want this too.'"

Social Distortion, however, got sidetracked from its goal for a number of years. The band fell into a "Black Hole" (that's a song by another punk band, The Adolescents). In the song, The Adolescents describe Ness's apartment during this period — a center for drug use and general self-destruction. It was only recently that the band was able to secure major-label exposure after that pernicious hiatus. But does Social Distortion have any regrets? "Everything we've done was, I think, supposed to happen. It's been a slow, natural process," Ness said.

We all have something to thank groups such as Social Distortion for. If it wasn't for them we still might be listening to The Village People do "Y.M.C.A." Punk made us feel like anyone could be up on that stage, musical skill was optional. After all, you just needed those three chords and an attitude. Even if you never got into stage diving at the 9:30 Club, the door that punk opened paved the way for the varied musical landscape we see today. Peter Buck, the guitarist for college-



rock god R.E.M., was there for punk's introduction to America — the Sex Pistol's first American show.

Social Distortion has come full circle.

The band survived the drugs and destruction that took most of its equals. Now the members really have something to sing about:

"Life goes by so fast/ You only want

to do what you think is right/ Close your eyes and then it's past/ It's the story of my life."

—from Social Distortion's "Story of My Life" (1990)

One shot of Studio's 'Drinking' surefire way to sober up

by J. M. Welsh

The Studio Theatre occasionally promotes something called "Secondstage." They fondly boast, "Secondstage offers emerging directors, designers and actors an opportunity to showcase their talent." Be forewarned, however. It also gives unsuspecting theater enthusiasts an opportunity to mold their behinds to ice-cold metal chairs in a room the size of a Monroe Hall classroom for what could be an agonizing two hours.

So the question remains, is their latest production, "Drinking in America," worth such torture? Most definitely.

The New York Times labeled the original off-Broadway production — starring only the author, Eric Bogosian (who also starred in *Talk Radio*) — a "ferocious comedy." If the Studio's production was anything resembling the original, then it is clear that critic was watching some other play. A better one-line description would be a "ferocious drama," with a few necessary funny spots.

"Drinking in America" is a series of 12 monologues, divided evenly between three male actors. Bogosian's creation scorchingly exposes problems many choose to ignore. Each of the 12 pieces deals with one common denominator — substance abuse. Among the characters are an evangelical preacher, a pompous actor, a disillusioned and drugged-out father, a disillusioned and drugged-out

teenager — in other words, almost every "average Joe" combination possible. Each monologue lasts approxi-

Each of the three actors given "an opportunity to showcase their talent" was certainly more deserving than the plished actors, executing each monologue flawlessly. Yet they did more than merely recite their lines on cue. Their

there were a few which deserve special attention.

Brown's depiction of a drug-addicted father living in a one-room dive sticks in the heart easier than the needle with which he used to shoot up drugs.

But if it's humor you most desire, Nees' role as a slimy casting agent will do the job. His energy and raunchy accent are reminiscent of Danny DeVito in *Romancing the Stone*.

Finally, Fish manages to turn a seriously addicted and pressured teenager's story of a night on the town into something lighthearted and bearable. He brings amazing lightness to such overbearing subjects as robbery, arson and acid trips.

"Drinking in America" (pardon the pun) is a most sobering experience. The final monologue appeals to the audience to understand the importance of such desperate and pitiful characters in our society. A melancholy bum asks for spare change from a person in the front row to effectively close the series of vignettes. The finale is a perfect combination of quiet emotion and energy.

If you go to see "Drinking in America," take with you a cushy pillow, some loose change, a sense of humor and a dose of understanding.

"Drinking in America" is playing through Dec. 2 in the Studio Theatre's Secondstage, located on the corner of 14th and P streets. Tickets are \$10, but student discounts are available.



Vincent Brown, Larry Fish and Hugh Nees (l. to r.) drink a toast to 'Drinking in America.'

mately five to 15 minutes. Some are a bit humorous, some frustrating, but all are biting.

18- to 20-person audience. Vincent Brown, Larry Fish and Hugh Nees proved themselves clearly accom-

performances overwhelmed with passion, energy and power. While every monologue in the show merits acclaim,

ARTS & FEATURES

New Bos' 'Ghost' tour haunts Lisner Brickell, band promotes latest album with same bohemian style

by Ben Goldman

On Thanksgiving Eve, after most of the GW community had scattered across the country for the holidays, Lisner Auditorium was home to Edie Brickell and the New Bohemians. Throughout the evening, the group presented a thorough sampling of its unique Dallas sound. This concert, however, was not to be a showcase for the band's previous, overwhelmingly popular work. And Edie Brickell and the New Bohemians made sure, as the evening progressed, to do what concert appearances ought to do: promote the latest album.

The New Bos opened the hour-long set with the first track off its new album *Ghost of a Dog*, "Mama Help Me." The soulful rendition of the song followed Brickell's unique introduction. After the band started playing, a bright light shone behind a white curtain, illuminating the lead singer's shadow with her hair flying in all directions as she bounced on a trampoline. As soon as the light came on, fans in the front section began shouting their approval. When Brickell finally appeared on stage, the reaction was the same. Immediately following the first tune was the new album's second cut, "Black & Blue," which, like the first song, did much more than play back the sound on the album.

Throughout the performance, a constant, almost seamless, flow of music filled the air. The New Bohemians mainly concentrated on tunes from *Ghost of a Dog*, but also included

favorites from the first album, *Shooting Rubberbands At The Stars*. Tunes such as "The Wheel," "Love Like We Do" and "She" were interspersed with new tracks such as "He Said," "Forgiven," "Woyaho," "Carmelito," "Times Like These" and "Stwisted."

Brickell, as well as having a unique singing style, also has an interesting stage presence. She does not indulge in dancing or body movements. Instead she stands almost motionless in front of the microphone, usually with one leg wrapped around the other (see her drawing on the back of *Shooting Rubberbands at the Stars*), and rubs her hands together slowly while she sings. This same style was echoed in her introduction of the band: "This is Kenny Withrow (guitar), this is Wes Burt-Martin (guitar), this is Brad Houser (bass), John Bush (percussion) and that's Matt Chamberlain (drums)," she said in her Southern accent. On some songs — "This Eye," "Oak Cliff Bra" and the title track, "Ghost of a Dog" — Brickell would pick up her acoustic guitar and the band would disappear from the stage as she delivered a solo performance.

After 45 minutes or so, the band left the stage only to be called back for an encore. It was then that the New Bohemians performed the hit single that started them off, "What I Am."

As a person already acquainted with the band's work, it was a pleasure to see and hear it live. As with any live performance, the music can be much more appreciated and enjoyed when you see and hear the artist in person.



photo by Jay Katz

The way we were: New Bohemians before they got old

by Ali Sacash

It seems appropriate for me to review Edie Brickell and New Bohemians' second album *Ghost of a Dog*. You see, the New Bos and I sort of have a history.

If you have any inclination towards New Bohemians' music, there is no doubt that you've heard the rags-to-riches story about the six young musicians who formed an improvisational band amongst the tiny but burgeoning alternative music scene in an area of Dallas called Deep Ellum. To the fan-comelately these tales may seem legendary or even mythic, but to the music-goers at the Prophet Bar or the Theatre Gallery on Commerce Street in Dallas, the story and music of the

New Bohemians is all too real.

I remember the first time I saw New Bohemians (that's the name the band went by until Geffen got a hold of it) at Prophet Bar. I think the show was free and Brickell just improvised poetry and funny lyrics while the band members jammed. A lot of the songs performed were on the first album, *Shooting Rubberbands at the Stars*, only they lasted more than 10 minutes, shirking any detailed pop format. The New Bohemians steadily became one of the coolest bands in Deep Ellum and then disappeared to record their first album.

Shooting Rubberbands at the Stars was released in Dallas as no big deal. At first, it did not even come out in CD or cassette form, only a couple of LPs in each record store in the local

releases section. I used that album for my first record review in The GW Hatchet. I told the editor at the time about this new album from a Texas band — it was unique music, but not too important. Had the editor not been from Texas also, I probably would have never even written a word for the Hatchet. So you could say the New Bos hold a special place in my heart (and my portfolio).

It's been a while, and now the members of Edie Brickell and New Bohemians are rock stars. The band's style is as much of a trademark as the Beatles' haircuts of the 60s were — *Ghost of a Dog* is proof of that. While trying to overcome the sophomore jinx that bands with first-time hit albums must grapple with,

the New Bos have opted for the safe route. They created an album almost exactly like the first one. Hey, if it worked once, it'll probably work again, right?

Ghost of a Dog is only a bit quirkier than the previous album, mixing Brickell's airy poetry with keen musicianship, especially Kenny Withrow's wah-wah guitar and John Bush's percussion. The more interesting, entertaining songs include "10,000 Angels" and "Strings of Love," with the title track and "Oak Cliff Bra" adding in the charm of Brickell's creativity.

Given my devotion to *Shooting Rubberbands at the Stars*, I find *Ghost of a Dog* a bit disappointing,

especially with songs such as "Black & Blue" that got butchered and "popped-up" in the production room. Maybe the quaintness of Edie Brickell and New Bohemians has gotten to me. Or maybe the band just seems to represent a magical time in Dallas that has all but vanished. The New Bos still play unannounced at those little clubs in Dallas for about \$3, but usually word leaks out and the crowd is comprised of a bunch of yuppies wanting to see Brickell.

I guess things just had to change. I'm happy that a band I liked so much is enjoying the spoils of success, but I still would like some of those past shows back. All you new fans can have this album; I want my old bohemians back.



Mary Gross did not fare well in film after her 'SNL' stint.

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Christopher Guest: *Girlfriends*, *The Last Word*, *The Long Riders*, *A Piano for Mrs. Cimino*, *This is Spinal Tap*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Beyond Therapy* and *Sticky Fingers*.

Anthony Michael Hall: *National Lampoon's Vacation*, *Sixteen Candles*, *The Breakfast Club*, *Weird Science*, *Out of Bounds* and *Johnny Be Good*.

Brad Hall: *Troll*.

Rich Hall: *Million Dollar Mystery* and *Rich Hall's Vanishing America*.

Phil Hartman: *The Pee-Wee Herman Show* and *Blind Date*.

Victoria Jackson: *Casual Sex?* and *UHF*.

Tim Kazurinsky: *Neighbors*, *Big City Comedy*, *Police Academy III* and *Police Academy 4*.

Jon Lovitz: *The Last Resort*, *Three Amigos* and *My Stepmother is An Alien*.

Garrett Morris: *Where's Poppa?*,

Things We Did Last Summer, *The Stuff* and *Critical Condition*.

Eddie Murphy: *48 Hours*, *Delirious*, *Trading Places*, *Best Defense*, *Beverly Hills Cop*, *The Golden Child*, *Raw*, *Beverly Hills Cop II*, *Coming To America*, *Harlem Nights* and *Another 48 Hours*.

Bill Murray: *Things We Did Last Summer*, *The Rutles: All You Need is Cash*, *Meatballs*, *Mr. Mike's Mondo Video*, *Loose Shoes*, *Caddyshack*, *Where the Buffalo Roam*, *Stripes*, *Tootsie*, *Ghostbusters*, *The Razor's Edge*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Scrooged*, *Ghostbusters II* and *Quick Change*.

Laraine Newman: *The Groove Tube*, *Tunnelvision*, *Things We Did Last Summer*, *American Hot Wax*, *Mr. Mike's Mondo Video*, *Wholly Moses!*, *Perfect and Invaders From Mars*.

Joe Piscopo: *Johnny Dangerously*, *Wise Guys* and *Dead Heat*.

Randy Quaid: *The Last Picture Show*, *The Last Detail*, *The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz*, *Breakout*, *Bound For Glory*, *Midnight Express*, *The Long Riders*, *Foxes*, *Of Mice and*

Men, *National Lampoon's Vacation*, *The Wild Life*, *The Slugger's Wife*, *Fool For Love*, *LBJ: The Early Years*, *The Wraith*, *No Man's Land*, *Caddyshack II*, *Moving*, *Parents*, *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation* and *Quick Change*.

Gilda Radner: *Things We Did Last Summer*, *The Rutles: All You Need is Cash*, *Mr. Mike's Mondo Video*, *First Family*, *Gilda Live*, *It Came From Hollywood*, *Hanky Panky*, *The Woman in Red*, *Movers and Shakers* and *Haunted Honeymoon*.

Charles Rocket: *Down Twisted* and *Earth Girls Are Easy*.

Tony Rosato: *Separate Vacations*, *Busted Up* and *City of Shadows*.

Harry Shearer: *The Right Stuff*, *This is Spinal Tap* and *Plain Clothes*.

Martin Short: *Sunset Limousine*, *Really Weird Tales*, *Three Amigos*, *Cross My Heart*, *Innerspace* and *Three Fugitives*.

Pamela Stephenson: *Scandalous*, *Superman III* and *Bloodbath at the House of Death*.

Danitra Vance: *Sticky Fingers*.

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changing the code — anything that reduces faculty control," she said.

Infeld said some faculty members are concerned that reports made by the additional advisory committee may detract from those made by the faculty committee.

Lilien Robinson, who chaired last year's Administrative Matters as They Affect the Faculty Committee, said her committee issued a report stating that the code did not need to be changed because the its wording was adequate to accommodate the schools if they chose to have non-faculty members participate in the dean search process.

Infeld said this year's committee is trying to establish guidelines to include non-faculty members in the dean search process without changing the Faculty Code. "The implication has always been that (the search committee) is the faculty's prerogative," Infeld said.

"Understandably, the faculty wants to preserve the central role. (It has) taken

some time for them to understand that is the way things are done. These days, it's more common to include alumni and students," French said.

The resolution will also formally assign various secretarial tasks involved in a dean search, including administrative talks and scheduling applicants, to the Office of the Assistant to the Board of Trustees, Infeld said. Previously, the chair of a search committee was allocated funds to perform the logistical functions of the dean search. Infeld said the transfer of the tasks to the Assistant to the Board of Trustees' office is a move that will help accelerate the paperwork and preserve confidentiality.

Infeld said the new changes will hopefully help improve relations between the dean search committee and the administration. "This is to improve efficiency rather than changing authority," she added. In the past, she said, the search to find a new dean progressed so slowly that by the time a final decision had been reached, the candidate accepted another position. "The (new) process will hopefully prevent good candidates from dropping out and screen out bad candidates earlier," Infeld added.

Infeld said she thought the new

guidelines had about a 50 percent chance of being approved by the senate.

A dean search committee organized under a variation of the proposed guidelines is already in place in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences. The SEAS search committee includes two students and one alumni serving in an advisory role.

Charles E. Garris, chair of the SEAS dean search which began this semester, said the search process is "working quite well."

School of Business and Public Management Assistant Dean Michael Harmon is an advisor to the committee. Although Harmon is a non-voting advisory member, he attends dean search committee meetings and makes suggestions on what types of candidates to look for, how to interview the candidates and how to select final candidates, he said.

Harmon was selected, he said, because of his prior experience on dean search committees for SBPM and faculty officials. "Since I am familiar with the procedures, Dr. French asked me to sit in on the meetings. They vote for who they think are the best candidates and I don't pressure them into picking a certain person or group of persons, I'm just there to advise and help out," he said.

"(Harmon) can give valuable input on 'what it means to be a dean,'" French said. "Right now I receive a monthly report from the chairman — there is better interaction between the faculty,

the president and me.

"This is a terrific development. It makes it possible for the University to work together," he added.

The dean search committee that selected National Law Center Dean Jack Friedenthal in 1988 included students and alumni members who reported to the faculty committee. The committee was the first at the University to include non-faculty members, according to Infeld.

French said the new guidelines for dean search committees will be based loosely on the NLC's.

NLC professor Roger Transgrud served on the search committee that selected Friedenthal. Transgrud said although the Faculty Code only states that faculty need to be involved with the committee, the NLC felt the views of students and alumni would be beneficial to the school. According to Transgrud, the seven students on the dean search committee were selected by the Student Bar Association, the NLC's student government, and the three alumni were chosen by the president of the NLC's alumni association. The students and alumni worked with eight tenured faculty members. "Our method of selecting deans works well for the NLC, however, I can't say whether it would be a good system to use in other parts of the University," Transgrud said.

Hatchet staff writer Debbie Solomon contributed to this story.

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Mary Keeler. "(The change) shouldn't affect us much at all. There is already a lot of cooperation with other departments," Keeler said. "It's not so very far from what we're doing now. It will help us to better define what we mean by communications."

Keeler said the departments discussed the communications center a great deal. "We tried to write the document together and come to an agreement," she added.

"The idea is to enable us to do better what we do," Manheim said. "You will find the lines that separate (the present departments) will begin to blur, and that is a good thing for students," he said.

"(The center) should be better for the students because it makes it easier to choose between the offerings and find a course of study that suits them," Keeler said.

"Any changes we make will take care of the students," Manheim said, adding that changes will raise the visibility of the program and possibly attract scholarships and guest speakers. "I think it's going to make life better."

Any time a department changes it risks making mistakes, Manheim said. "We need to make sure we don't lose anything we do well," he said.

Manheim said he would like to have the center operating, at least in part, by next fall. "There is a world of opportunity in this proposal, and delay is loss of opportunity," he said.

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Greeks participate in SEA recycling drive

by Debbie Solomon
Hatchet Staff Writer

Students for Environmental Action held a can drive competition for all GW fraternities and sororities in order to promote recycling on campus, according to SEA member Dana Hollish.

The cans were returned to recycling bins behind the fire house and the money from the aluminum will be donated to the Burned Children's Fund.

Hollish said the can drive was organized to get fraternity and sorority members involved with the recycling process. "Once students begin recycling it becomes a habit," she said. "SEA is hoping that recycling will become routine for fraternities and sororities."

Although the recycling competition was for a good cause, Hollish said, only five fraternities and sororities participated. "I would have liked to see more participation, and hopefully the next time we hold a can drive everyone will get involved," she said.

The competitors had two weeks to collect as many cans as possible. On Nov. 16, the participants went to the fire house where the winner was announced. The sorority winner was Alpha Epsilon Phi, and the fraternity winner was a tie between Sigma Phi Epsilon and Phi Kappa Sigma.

"We didn't get involved for the competition," Kappa Sigma fraternity member Jonathan Cushing said. "We've always recycled cans and we decided that the money was going to go to a worthwhile cause so we got involved in the contest." He added that if members of fraternities and sororities are going to be leaders, they should act like leaders and get involved.

Matt Mutterperl, Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity community service chairman, said recycling is something everyone should do. "Recycling should be done on a regular basis. It doesn't take much energy to recycle cans, and it's good for the environment," he said.

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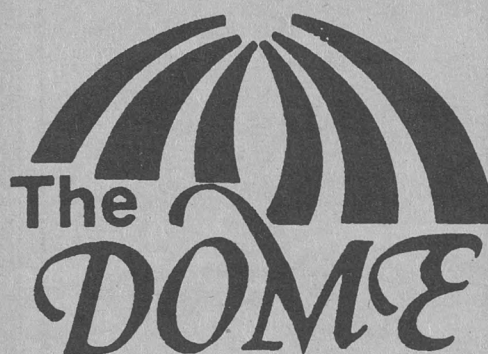
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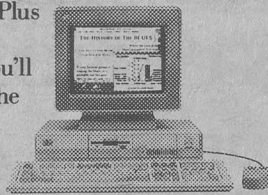
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Nov. 30, 1978 — A man was seen entering the seventh floor women's shower room in Mitchell Hall, at approximately 8 a.m. The incident went unreported until later that day when the same man was seen entering the women's shower room on the eighth floor. He was unaware that he was being watched by a female student, who followed him into the shower room. When asked what he was doing in there he replied "Oh, I must be in the wrong bathroom." The man was never caught by security, who were called after the second sighting. "Nothing developed that seemed especially heinous about it," GW Director of Safety and Security Harry W. Geiglein said.

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Nov. 25, 1985 — Fifteen members of the Coalition Against Pornography protested the showing of the X-rated film "Insatiable." The film was shown in the Marvin Center ballroom and was attended by 544 people. The GW Program Board, who sponsored the event, netted a \$450 profit from the showing. Outside the ballroom the protestors set up a fake gravestone with an epitaph reading "Grave of the unknown victim of pornography."

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Dec. 3, 1987 — Four GW students, bringing the total to eight, were arrested for chaining themselves to a wire fence at the Farragut West Metrorail station at 17th and I streets, NW. The students were protesting the city's closing of the station to homeless people to prevent them from sleeping in the area. The students chained themselves to the fence, preventing Metro security from being able to lock it. The protest was organized by the Community for Creative Non-Violence, and more than 40 participants were arrested before the situation was resolved.

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GWUMC receives \$150,000 AUA grant

The GW Medical Center has received a two-year \$150,000 grant from the American Urological Association to study the results of both operative and non-surgical treatment options for men with benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH), according to a GWUMC press release.

BPH occurs when the prostate enlarges and obstructs the urinary tract. BPH is prevalent among older men, and is generally treated by surgical removal, the press release said.

"Because of the many possible treatments becoming available to men with BPH, this study will provide both physicians and patients with information about how the promising new interventions fit into the modern practice of urology," Assistant Professor of Urology Michael Maynak said.

According to the press release, GW is one of only five centers receiving the grant.

Approximately 400,000 operations a year are performed to treat this complication, making BPH surgery one of the most common medical procedures, the press release said. Treatments that will be explored by the GWUMC include balloon dilation and medications that curb prostate growth, the release stated.

According to Jill Sacks of the GWUMC Office of Public Relations, Maynak said he hopes to have the study extended for five years in order to involve as many subjects as possible.

The study will provide data for agencies that govern reimbursement for the treatment of BPH, and as a result, the cost of treatment will be limited.

Urology Department Chairman Harry Miller said, "Efforts like this will provide a model to evaluate treatment options for high-volume procedures in other medical specialties as well."

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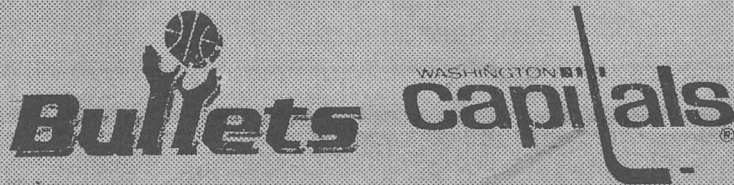
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Several universities use guns to combat crime on campuses

CPS-- Campuses are changing the way they are defending themselves against crime.

In recent months, schools have hired more officers, started more sophisticated training programs, expanded their arrest powers and, most controversial of all, begun to arm their people with guns.

Letting campus police carry guns is "a logical step to provide better service," said John McGinnis, head of security at Marquette University in Milwaukee, whose unarmed officers currently are fighting to become commissioned by the state and thus qualified to carry guns.

On the other hand, many students at Millersville University of Pennsylvania, where a debate to arm officers has been raging for years, "don't see any reason for (campus) police to have guns," reported Doug Killough, a member of Millersville's student government.

Nevertheless, scores of schools are considering it.

The State University of New York, the University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, Millersville, Marquette and Mesa State College have all considered commissioning their security officers and allowing them to carry guns this year.

Part of the reason campus police want more power comes from an increased use of weapons in crimes on college campuses, said John Carpenter, public safety officer of San Diego State University and a former president of the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators.

"We have an arsenal here" of arms confiscated from campus criminals, Carpenter said.

"It's really frustrating" for college police who do not have the power to arrest criminals, or carry a gun, yet still must confront serious crimes on campus, Carpenter added.

There has indeed been an uncanny series of major-league crimes for campus officers to battle this fall.

Since the still-unsolved murders of five students in Gainesville, Fla., last August, campus police have had to face arsons, riots, murders, assaults and other felonies at Lock Haven University, the State University of New York at Buffalo, Delaware State College and at the universities of Illinois-Urbana and California at Berkeley.

"Most colleges and universities can't control who the bad people are, and whether they come on campus," said Richard Leonard, security chief at Oakland University in Michigan, where police have carried guns for 20 years.

It's been 13 years, Leonard added, since a campus officer at Oakland "had to discharge a weapon in enforcing the law."

"It's good they are carrying guns," Oakland student Amy Nida said. "It makes the students feel safer."

But approximately 30 minutes away at the University of Michigan, 250 students protested UM's decision to arm its police officers in September.

"(Students) aren't knowledgeable about what commissioning entails," Marquette University student body president John Serpe said, adding that Marquette students are divided over a proposal to give their police more powers.

Similarly, approximately 49 percent of the students at Millersville State said they opposed a campus police proposal

to carry guns, citing worries that guns could lead to tragic accidents and that there was not enough serious crime to warrant firearms.

In a poll by the Snapper, Millersville's student newspaper, 45 percent of the students supported the proposal. They gave reasons such as self defense and an increase in violent crime on campus.

"A student asked, 'How can you protect us when you can't even protect yourselves?'" Millersville Police Director Wayne Silcox said in explaining why his department wants guns.

Silcox said campus officers have been reintroducing the proposal each year since 1986, when a student was stabbed by an assailant.

Unlike many other schools this fall, however, Millersville decided not to adopt guns.

"A small majority (of the campus) would rather not (have armed police on campus)," said Millersville President Joseph Caputo in turning down the proposal in September.

However, campus police argue they don't have the tools or powers they need to battle the current college crime wave.

"You've got to give (campus police) the equipment to enforce the law," Carpenter said.

Even at an urban campus like Marquette, police don't have arrest powers. They can only hold suspects until Milwaukee police can arrive to make an arrest.

Whether a campus security force has the powers to arrest and carry weapons may affect who stays on the force.

In August, security officer Robert Fey left Iowa State University because administrators would not allow campus police to carry weapons.

Not carrying weapons "does create a stressful situation for the officers," Silcox said.

Whether or not armed police actually scare crime away, the controversy typically does fade away once officers get their weapons. "I think most students don't even know they carry weapons," Oakland student Nina Pars said.

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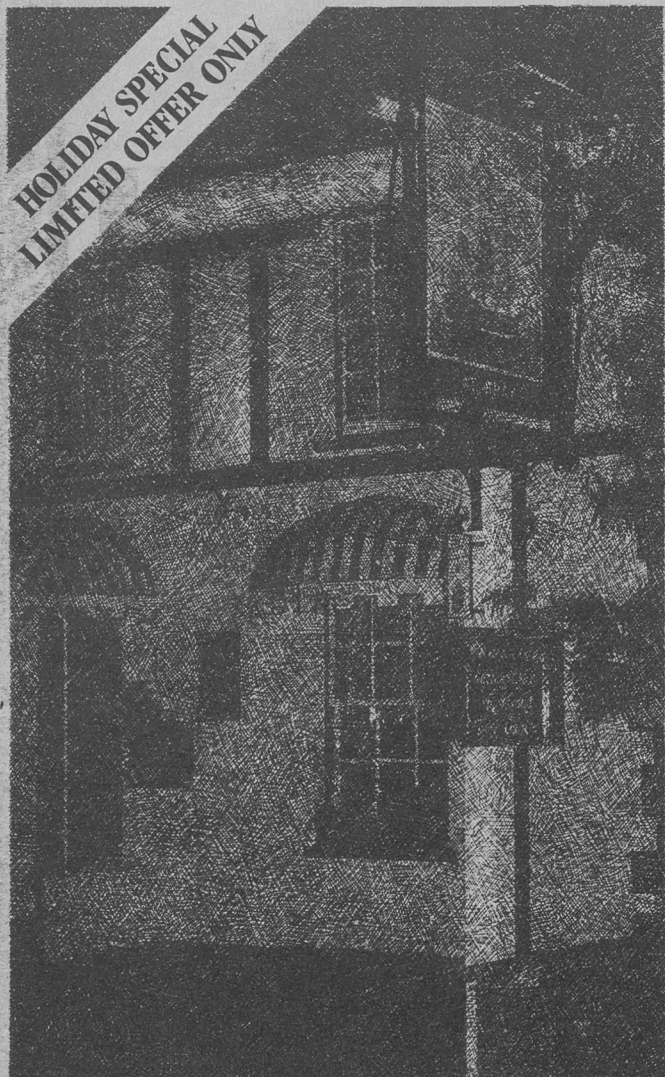
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GW Women in Communication is having its annual student-faculty tea, today from 6-7:30 p.m. in Marvin Center 402.

GW Students for Kuwait are sponsoring a discussion featuring GW Director of Middle Eastern Studies Nathan Brown and Kuwait's Undersecretary of Higher Education Musa'ad Al-Haroon, today at 7:30 p.m. in Funger 188. The United States' role and presence in Saudi Arabia and the United States' present and future role in the Middle East will be addressed.

For anyone who is interested in job opportunities at the National Institute of Health, GW's Premedical Honor Society is hosting a meeting with NIH's Lavon Parker, tomorrow at noon in Marvin Center 403.

The Psi Chi Honor Society is sponsoring a fundraiser for homeless families and children, Dec. 3-5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Marvin Center H Street terrace. Rita Bright, director of Community of Hope, will speak on the terrace Dec. 3 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The society will be accepting toys, clothes and donations.

GW's Child Care Management Resources and Personnel Services will present a seminar for faculty and staff on choosing appropriate toys for children, Dec. 4 from noon to 1:15 p.m. in Marvin

Center 411.

Campuses Against Cancer are sponsoring an appearance by hypnotist John Sacco, Dec. 5 at 8 p.m. in the Marvin Center ballroom. Admission is \$4 and all proceeds will go to the Brain Tumor Society.

Paintings by GW alumni artists in the D.C. area will be displayed in "Diverse Themes: GW Alumni Invitational Painting Exhibition" at Lisner's Dimock Gallery from Dec. 6 to Jan. 3. Artists participating are Judy Bass, Stuart Gosswein, Rachel Greene, Patrick Kirwin, Josephine Haden, Mary Nash, Sarah Pitkin and Cynthia Young.

Jazz artist Sonny Rollins will perform at Lisner Auditorium Dec. 8 at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at all Ticket Centers or call (202) 432-0200.

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The following is a schedule for the 1991 validation of these cards:

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"News of the Weird," authored by Shepard, is a weekly Universal Press Syndicate column, appearing in D.C.'s City Paper and more than 100 newspapers across the United States.

The column features true accounts of bizarre occurrences and people such as a Baltimore man who was stopped by a police officer with 21 live pigeons and five dead ones stuffed in his pants or about the man who was killed with a turnip thrown by a London gang that tosses vegetables at random at passersby.

In the City Paper edition, former GW Hatchet cartoonist and creator of "Refrigerator Johnny" illustrates each week's most-bizarre story.

Shepard and his coauthors, John J. Kohut and Roland Sweet, collected the eclectic news items from clippings readers submit to them.

Shepard said this is the first time he has gone public at GW about his authoring the column. "I'm not quite sure how people will react," he said.



—Jim Peterson 'News of the Weird' author discusses his newest book. photo by Jeremy Aziz

Sports briefs

Three Spikers make all-A-10 teams

Senior co-captain Allison O'Neill, junior Cinnamon Burnim and freshman Jennifer Smuck were honored for their play this volleyball season by the Atlantic 10 Conference by being named to one of the all-A-10 teams.

O'Neill was named First-Team All-A-10 as she provided leadership for the Colonial women all season. She finished third in the A-10 in two categories — kills per game with a 4.06 average and digs per game with a 3.26 average.

Making the second team was Burnim, who finished sixth in the A-10 with .881 blocks per game. Smuck, who was named to All-A-10 Freshman Team, finished seventh in the A-10 in blocks with .80 per game.

Knight named to A-10 academic all-conference

Kris Knight, a senior co-captain on the volleyball team, was named to the six-member A-10 Academic Team for volleyball.

The award honors student-athletes

who have excelled in the classroom and on the court on the basis of their academic and athletic achievements.

Knight ranked third in the A-10 in service aces per game with a .578 average and was seventh in digs with 3.08 per game. The outside hitter maintained a 3.03 GPA in criminal justice and is a member of the Dean's List.

Surles "Male Athlete-of-the-Week"

Sophomore guard Dirk Surles of the men's basketball team was named GW's Male Athlete of the Week for the week of Nov. 20-27. The guard scored 20 points in both a victory over St. Joseph's Monday and a loss to Loyola (MD) Saturday, and helped ignite the Colonials' second-half run that put GW up for good against SJU.

Swimming

GW resumes its season Saturday when both the men and women travel to Newark, Del. to face the University of Delaware at 1 p.m.

—Ted Gotsch

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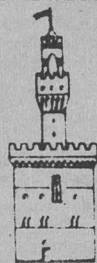
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Study abroad program attracts increasing number of students

by Jeff Goldfarb
Hatchet Staff Writer

GW senior Alexander Henderson got to chip away at the Berlin Wall on Nov. 10, 1989, the day after it was announced East Germany would unite with West Germany.

Henderson, then a junior studying in Bamberg as a participant in GW's year-long study abroad program, traveled to Berlin after seeing news reports the night before.

"You could really feel the power and excitement of being there," he said. He described the site as "overloaded."

"My original impression was that the city was just too full," Henderson said. "There was an 11-hour wait on the Autobahn to go from East Germany to West Germany and a two-hour wait just to get a hot dog."

Henderson was one of 294 GW students who took advantage of the opportunity to study in a foreign country with the University's help, according to a University Relations press release. Eighty-three of those students chose to go abroad during the summer.

The study abroad participants from last year went to 29 countries, including Australia, the Bahamas, Peru and Zimbabwe. Travel to Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe increased as study abroad choices reflected the prevailing "global economic and political trends," GW study abroad program director Jennifer Wright said.

GW looked at student inquiries and determined a stronger study abroad program was in demand, Wright said, adding that students should definitely have the opportunity to get educated in a foreign country.

Europe remains the primary choice for students, according to Wright, with England drawing the most students, and France and Spain being favored sites as well. "There's no language barrier (in England) so students feel it's easy to study a full range of courses," she said.

"France is popular because that's where a lot of the programs began and many students study Spanish, making Spain popular," she added.

Since 1985, the Elliott School of International Affairs has coordinated GW's study abroad activities, ranging from recruitment and information services to mandatory pre-departure briefings, according to the release. Briefings advise students on everything from culture and health care to safety



Alexander Henderson chips away at the Berlin Wall.

tips for traveling and living abroad.

The current crisis in the Middle East — increased terrorist threats and the global weakening of U.S. currency — is of some concern, Wright said.

"We might see lower numbers in the spring, but I can't tell yet," she said. Approximately 50 people are studying abroad this semester, she noted.

Wright said because of the increase of terrorism on the European continent, Australia is rapidly gaining popularity as a place of study. "The Australian universities realize there's a market in it for them," she said.

Henderson was the first student to go to a GW-sponsored study abroad program in Germany, and now there are three people there, he said.

With regard to the weakening of the

dollar in relation to going abroad, Henderson said, "Studying abroad always pays off no matter how much it costs."

Henderson said those who do go abroad "have to have the right attitude." He said he knew someone from another university who was miserable when abroad in Germany because he just wasn't "into it."

ESIA Dean Maurice East said, "A major objective of all higher education is to help students operate more effectively in an increasingly international and multicultural world."

"Study abroad is one of the best ways to give people firsthand experience," he added.

To get more information about going abroad, contact Jennifer Wright at 994-6242.

GW employee shot in his home

by Jim Peterson
News Editor

An unknown intruder shot and killed GW employee Philip Anthony Parks, 27, in his apartment Nov. 21.

Parks worked as binding supervisor in the Graphics and Printing Department in GW's Academic Center.

According to a Nov. 22 Washington Post story, someone forcibly entered Parks' apartment at 75 U St., NW, and killed him. The Metropolitan Police Department is still investigating the incident, the story said.

Printing Services Director Franklin Bradley said Parks worked for GW for approximately three years. "He was a very good employee, very happy-go-lucky," he said. Bradley said he was notified of Parks' death Nov. 26.

Rev. Robert E. Parks, Sr., Philip's father, said any other information released about the homicide could endanger the investigation.

"We still have to find out a lot of things ourselves. We hope we can find these answers so that we can get on with our lives."

"We would like to thank the University for all the support they have given to our family during this time," he

added.

Philip Parks was born Aug. 16, 1963, in Washington, D.C. He was an active member of the First Rising Mount Zion Baptist Church of Washington, D.C., where he sang as a member of the church's various choirs, according to his memorial service program.

Parks graduated from Northwestern Senior High School in Hyattsville, Md., in 1981.

After graduating from Northwestern, he enrolled in Prince George's Community College in Largo, Md., where he majored in music and communications. After completing his first year of college, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. Receiving an honorable discharge, he re-enrolled in the Prince George's Community college. While studying there, he organized and founded the Prince George's Community Gospel Choir. He was voted director for the choir and under his leadership, the choir grew and prospered and was featured in many concerts and recitals, the program said.

"Philip was an extremely unique person. His life was an inspiration to everyone he came in contact with," his parents wrote in the program.

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Kentucky as the best high school player. Hammonds was also recruited by Maryland, Tulsa University, Western Kentucky University and the University of Cincinnati.

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nation's top center prospects. Fordham University, the College of William and Mary, the University of New Hampshire and Old Dominion University also showed interest in him.

At 6-10, 210 pounds, Wise rounds out the early signees. As a junior, he averaged 10 points, seven blocks and five rebounds a game coming off the bench for St. Andrews Parish High School. Named the team's most improved player after his sophomore season, Wise is expected to emerge as a team leader this season. Wise also considered Clemson University, Furman University and Western Carolina University before joining the Colonials.

Counting Boston University transfer Bill Brigham, who will be eligible to play next season, Jarvis already has five players to replace seven graduating seniors — Ellis McKennie, Glen Sitney, Cot Smith, Peter Young, Matt Nordmann, Byron Hopkins and Mark Karver. Jarvis also has two scholarships available with the transferring of Clint Holtz to Niagara University and Coleman Scott to Champlain Junior College.

Jarvis said the Colonials are not done recruiting. "To be honest, we are not through," he said. "We have more work to do. We would like to sign three or four more before we are done, including a big player who can come in and play immediately."

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academically in her class of 480.

Neville, 5-8, was named the 1989-90 "Player-of-the-Year" in the Pac-Six Conference of North Carolina's 4A league after averaging 17 points, 4.2 rebounds, 4.2 assists and three steals per game for co-conference champion Northern High School. She was also named first all-conference by the Durham Morning Herald and first team all-East by the Raleigh News and Observer.

"Preseason, (Neville) was on many lists," McKeown said. "She has great quickness and speed and can play point and shooting guard. Has great defensive ability."

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first team member, the 6-5 Williams averaged 16.5 points, 9.5 rebounds and two blocks per contest while leading Franklin Area High School to the Pennsylvania State AAA championship quarterfinal round and the county championship.

"Her best basketball days are ahead of her," McKeown said about Williams. "She has the desire to work and a very soft touch around the basket. She will block shots and intimidate and match-up with the forces in the A-10."

McKeown said while he is very optimistic about the incoming freshman class, he does not want to get ahead of himself.

"It is hard to gauge until they get on the floor," he said. "They are one of the best in the country. I think this are four very talented and committed players. I hope the fans and the campus get pumped, because that is why they came."

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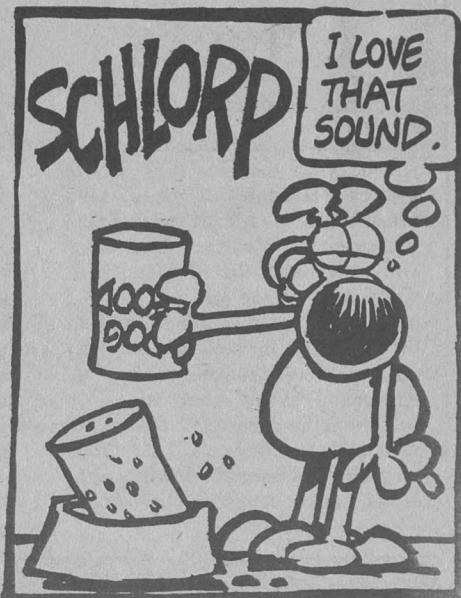
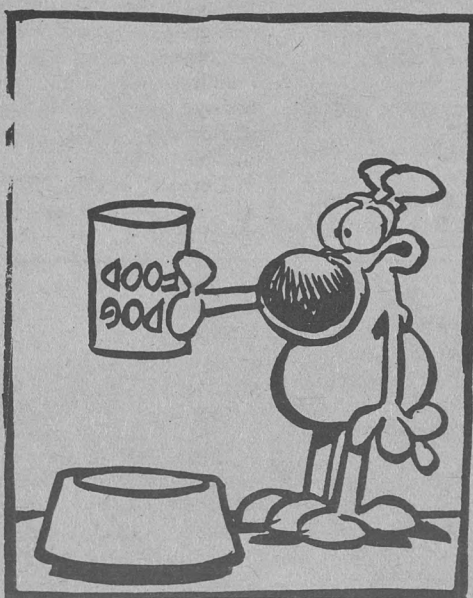
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SPORTS

Surles leads GW and Jarvis to first win vs. SJU, 84-74

by Scott Jared
Hatchet Sports Writer

And awaaaay we go. Mike Jarvis got his first win as the GW men's head basketball coach behind the scoring of sophomores Dirk Surles and J.J. Hudock, Monday against St. Joseph's. The Colonials (1-1 overall, 1-0 in the Atlantic 10 Conference) downed the Hawks 84-74 at home in their first A-10 showdown of the season.

GW dropped their season opener 87-78 on the road to Loyola (Md.) Saturday.

Monday, GW closed the door on SJU in what had been a close game with a 22-6 run late in the second half.

With the Colonials trailing 58-57 and 9:24 remaining in the game, Surles rattled off five points — a field goal and a three-point shot — on the Colonials' next two possessions, giving GW a 62-58 edge with 8:25 remaining. Surles tied his career high of 20 points — a mark he set Saturday against Loyola.

The Colonials then put the Hawks away, extending their lead to 15 with 2:16 left. SJU made up some ground in the last two minutes, causing GW turnovers with the full-court pressure the Hawks used all game, but GW held on for the victory.

Jarvis said the first win is important. "I just wanted to get the win," he said. "You can't get a streak going until you get the first win."

Jarvis said GW will rely on depth this season and he went to the bench often in the contest, playing 11 men. "We've got a lot of people of relatively equal ability," he said. "We have to hope our 10 best men will be able to outlast their five, six or seven best."

Jarvis started only one senior against the Hawks, fielding a starting five of freshman point guard Alvin Pearsall, sophomores Surles (guard), Hudock (forward) and Sonni Holland (forward) and senior center Byron Hopkins. Jarvis said that although some of the seniors may have played less minutes than they are accustomed to, it's the quality of play that matters, not the number of minutes.

"I would like to see (captain) Ellis (McKennie) and the other seniors do something they have never done before — win," he said. "I hope the seniors would trade the extra minutes (of playing time) for extra wins."

GW started off slowly against the Hawks, falling behind 10-2 in the opening five minutes as GW's offense sputtered in the face of the SJU press.

GW's offense kicked into gear as Surles hit a jump-shot from the right side of the lane with 4:21 left before the half. Hudock hit two free throws and a three pointer in the next minute and a half to cut the Hawks lead to 11-9.

The Colonials took their first lead of the game on a Surles jumper with 7:55 left in the half.

Surles said he took advantage of SJU's defense Monday night. "Coach tells me when I'm open, to look for my shot," he said. "I happened to get hung off more than other guys (against the Hawks)."

GW and SJU traded baskets until the 3:47 mark, when GW took the lead, 32-31, on a Pearsall bucket. GW held the lead going into halftime, 39-34.

Saturday, the game started off well for the Colonials against Loyola as Surles opened the Colonials' season with a dunk after GW controlled the opening tip-off. But things went downhill from there for GW.

The Greyhounds dominated the Colonials, taking a 5-4 lead three and a half minutes into the game. They never looked back and led the rest of the way.

GW was plagued by poor shooting against the Greyhounds — sinking only 39.2 percent of its shots. Loyola shot 50 percent from the field.

Surles again led the Colonials with 20 points, hitting 7-of-19 from the field and 6-of-6 from the free-throw line.

Hoops — The Colonials travel to Palo Alto, Calif. to play in the Apple Invitational tournament this weekend. GW plays Stanford Friday at 6:30 p.m. (PST). Depending on Friday's outcomes, GW will play in the championship game Saturday at 8:30 p.m. (PST) against the winner of Friday's Vanderbilt-Hawaii game or in the consolation game at 6:30 p.m. (PST) against the loser.

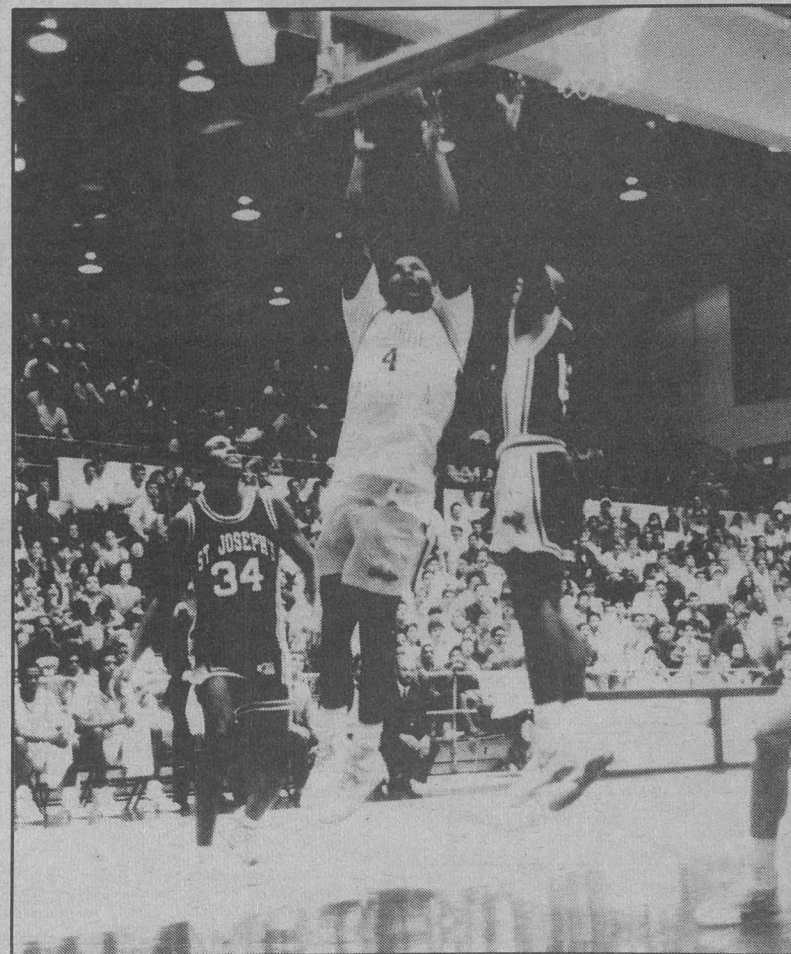


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Dirk Surles flew by the opposition, scoring 20 in the first two games.

Women cagers down GMU in OT, 68-66

by Holger Stolzenberg
Hatchet Sports Writer

Junior center Mary K. Nordling scored the go-ahead basket in overtime and the GW women's basketball team never looked back as it held on to win its season opener against George Mason, 68-66, in Fairfax, Va.

The Colonial women took a 63-61 lead with 31 seconds to go in regulation as Nordling scored and was fouled, but failed to complete the three-point conversion as she missed the foul shot. The Patriots tied the game, 63-63, with three seconds left, and GW had one final chance to avoid overtime. Junior guard Wanda Lanham had a steal in the final seconds but GW failed to score, forcing overtime.

Nordling struck again 55 seconds into overtime, putting the Colonial women ahead 65-63. From then on, GW held onto its lead to win the game at 68-66.

"A lot of teams would have folded," GW head coach Joe McKeown said. "The victory showed that they won't give up."

"Last year, we beat George Mason by 21 points, but they have improved a lot."

GW opened the game by going scoreless for more than four minutes until sophomore forward Jennifer Shasky hit two three-point field goals, drawing the Colonial women to within one point, 7-6. The rest of the half went back and fourth and GW went into intermission with a 29-25 lead.

GW turned the ball over 12 times in the first half. "We were sloppy with the ball in the first half," McKeown said.

"But we stayed in the game."

In the second half, the Patriots went on a 8-2 run over a two minute span to take a 55-40 lead. GW chipped away at the score with the help of junior forward Kristin McArdle, who made several great passes and rebounds, according to McKeown and finally tied the score, 61-61 with 1:28 remaining in regulation on a Nordling lay-up.

Nordling led the team with 21 points and 12 rebounds, 7 offensive. Shasky was second in scoring with 16 points, including three-of-seven shooting from three-point area, and added six rebounds and five assists.

The other three starters, guard Anne Riley, McArdle and Lanham, each picked up 10 points. McArdle grabbed six rebounds, while both Riley and Lanham each had three steals.

With five starters combining for a total 67 of GW's 68 points, only three reserves got playing time. Anna Lee, Stephanie Siefert and Rachel Mercer played, with Mercer scoring the remaining point.

The Colonial women had a 39.4 shooting percentage compared to the Patriots 41.9. GW was also out-rebounded 45-38, but had fewer turnovers (18) than the Patriots (24).

Hoops — The Colonial women play their home opener against Georgetown Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Smith Center.

Men and women hoops sign 4

Colonial women's recruiting class rated top 10 in the nation

by Ted Gotsch
Sports Editor

The Colonial women's basketball team improved its future by landing four players in the early signing period Monday. The class, which includes two members of the nation's best high school team of last season — Christ the King in New York City — has been ranked one of the top 10 in the country, according to Joe Smith of the Women's Basketball News Service.

"We are tremendously pleased," GW head coach Joe McKeown said. "We ranked in the top 10 recruiting classes by two different scouting services. It is a really great step for the program."

McKeown's recruits include Christ the King's Debbie Hemery and Darlene Saar, along with guard Cathy Neville from North Carolina and center Martha Williams of Pennsylvania.

At the top of the class is Hemery, a 5-8 point guard who was named fourth-team All-American in *Street & Smith's* magazine preseason high school poll. She averaged 13 points, eight assists and four steals per game during Christ the King's championship season last year and was also named to the 1990 Kodak All-Star team and first-team all-city by the New York Daily News.

"(Hemery is) one of the best point guards in the country," McKeown said. "She is a great floor leader and a winner and can really run an offense and a team. She had narrowed down her choices to Penn State, North Carolina and GW."

Her teammate Saar follows. A 6-1 guard/forward, Saar was named as a *Street & Smith's* Eastern high school honorable mention All-American. As a junior, she averaged 17 points, nine rebounds, four blocks and two steals a contest for USA Today's high school national champions last year. Saar was named first-team all-city by the New York Daily News and Newsday and ranks in the top 10

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Men land two centers and two shooters in early signing

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GW men's basketball coach Mike Jarvis began the process of building the Colonials into a national program by nabbing four recruits — three high school seniors and a junior college freshman — during the early signing period on Nov. 23.

Jarvis announced the signings of 6-6 guard Marcus Ford from Detroit, Mich., 6-6 forward Robert "Nimbo" Hammonds of Lexington, Ky., center Daryl Collette from Merrimack, N.H. and center Anthony Wise of Charleston, S.C.

"We are very happy," Jarvis said. "We got four quality players, students and people. (Assistant) coaches (Ed) Meyers and (Bill) Herrion are to be complemented."

While Jarvis said that Ford and Hammonds are the best players of the four at this time, he expects Collette and Wise to develop into solid, big men as time goes on. Ford is currently enrolled at Polk Community College in Winter Haven, Fla., after being redshirted last season at Auburn University. He will play this season for Polk — the fifth-ranked junior college in the nation — and have three years of eligibility remaining.

As a high school player, Ford was an All-City, All-Academic selection and All-State honorable mention, averaging 19.5 points, 5.5 rebounds and eight assists per contest as a senior.

"Marcus plays the point and the two position," Jarvis said. "He is a very good player among the top seven players we have next year."

As a junior, Hammonds, from Lexington's Bryan Station High School, averaged 20 points, eight rebounds, two assists and two steals per game. He is rated as a High Honorable Mention in *Street & Smith's* magazine's preseason high school All-American rankings and is in contention for the "Mr. Basketball" award for the state of

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